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Opto 22 Promotes Ken Johnson to Engineering Vice President

Opto 22 veteran leads growing team of hardware and software engineers.

Temecula, CA – September 10, 2013 – Industrial automation manufacturer Opto 22 has promoted Engineering Manager Ken Johnson to company Vice President of Engineering. In his new post, long-time employee Johnson will expand his current leadership of the company's Engineering group with an increased role in corporate strategic planning. During his two-year leadership of the Engineering group, Johnson managed a growing team of electrical engineers and software developers in planning and building Opto 22 I/O and control products, including the recent *groov*, which simplifies mobile interface development and use for industrial automation.

Johnson says bringing *groov* to market was his biggest accomplishment in that time. Opto 22 CEO and President Mark Engman agrees, saying "*groov* was a challenging product in terms of hardware and software development. Getting the *groov* Box hardware appliance out the door, followed shortly by *groov* Server for Windows software, was a technical and management challenge that Ken really stepped up to."

Johnson has been with Opto 22 since 1994, serving briefly as Network Manager and then as Senior Project Engineer until becoming Engineering Manager in 2011. Johnson holds a B.S. in Engineering Physics from the University of California, Berkeley, and an M.S. in Physics from the University of California, San Diego.

About Opto 22

Opto 22 develops and manufactures hardware and software for applications involving industrial automation and control, energy management, remote monitoring, and data

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acquisition. Designed and made in the U.S.A., Opto 22 products have an established reputation worldwide for ease of use, innovation, quality, and reliability. Opto 22 products, which use standard, commercially available networking and computer technologies, are used by automation end-users, OEMs, and information technology and operations personnel in over 10,000 installations worldwide. The company was founded in 1974 and is privately held in Temecula, California, U.S.A. Opto 22 products are available through a global network of distributors and system integrators. For more information, contact Opto 22 headquarters at +1-951-695-3000 or visit www.opto22.com.

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