

## Press Release

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### McElroy Announces Three New International Distributors

**TULSA, Okla. (September 29, 2008)** – McElroy Manufacturing, Inc., recently announced three key international organizations have become authorized international distributors for McElroy’s pipe fusion products. The three new distributors are Geomembranas Y Geosinteticos S.A. De C.V. of Mexico, Rho-Tech/SKW Industrial Supplies of South Africa and QSI Motor Group of Venezuela.

“Adding these three organizations as our newest international distributors is an indicator of the growing appeal that McElroy Fusion Equipment garners across the globe, as well as the solid commitment that each of these companies has to our products,” said Chip McElroy, president and chief executive officer of McElroy Manufacturing. “There is a real need for premium fusion equipment and solutions that address the needs for increased productivity in wide varieties of rugged field conditions. Infrastructure industries from gas distribution, mining, energy, water and wastewater are all looking for more cost effective solutions that reduce their cost of construction. This is where McElroy thrives.”

Geomembranas Y Geosinteticos S.A. De C.V. has a long dealer relationship with McElroy Manufacturing, even hosting regular McElroy University training classes at their facilities in Mexico.

Rho-Tech is based in Durban, South Africa, and services McElroy equipment in Southern Africa, including Zambia, Madagascar, Kenya, Botswana, South Africa and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Dealing primarily in the water and mining industries, Rho-Tech has had a working relationship with McElroy for two years, with a goal of significantly increasing McElroy’s fleet of fusion equipment in Africa.

Venezuelan company QSI Motor Group offers technical support and product solutions for construction, water, mining, telecommunications and other industries in South America. QSI Motor Group shares McElroy’s passion for customer satisfaction and job productivity through consulting and training. A wide range of McElroy fusion machines are already available through QSI Motor Group.

For more information or to find a distributor, visit [www.mcelroy.com](http://www.mcelroy.com).

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### **About Pipe Fusion:**

Pipe fusion is a widely accepted process that joins two pieces of thermoplastic pipe together with heat and pressure. Commonly associated with high-density polyethylene pipe (HDPE), the butt fusion process starts by “facing” or shaving the pipe ends simultaneously so that they can be joined together with heat to create a continuous, sealed pipeline. The welding of the pipes is accomplished by using a hot plate in contact with the pipe ends, which heats the plastic to a molten state. Then, after its removal, the ends are pressed together under a controlled force to form a weld that is stronger than the pipe itself. Third-party industry research indicates that HDPE pipe and joints can have a lifespan of more than 100 years.

### **About McElroy Manufacturing, Inc.:**

Founded in 1954, McElroy Manufacturing has grown from a two-person start-up in an Oklahoma garage, to the industry leader in the science of joining thermoplastic pipe. The name McElroy is recognized worldwide as the most reliable, efficient, rugged and technically advanced fusion equipment in the world. McElroy holds dozens of U.S. and foreign patents on fusion related equipment. The company credits its marketplace leadership to an unyielding focus toward excellence. For additional information, please visit the McElroy website at [www.mcelroy.com](http://www.mcelroy.com).

### **Additional Web Links:**

Geomembranas Y Geosinteticos S.A. De C.V. can be found on the web at [www.geogygeo.com](http://www.geogygeo.com) and [www.mcelroymexico.com](http://www.mcelroymexico.com).

Rho-Tech does not have a working website at this time, but can be contacted at +27 31 914 0966 or [admin@rho-tech.co.za](mailto:admin@rho-tech.co.za).

QSI Motor Group can be found on the web at [www.mcelroy.com.ve](http://www.mcelroy.com.ve).

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