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Industrial employers turn to Vortec's Personal Air Conditioners during heat wave

Personal Air Conditioners (PACs) produced by Vortec provide a unique solution for industrial employers seeking to protect workers from the summer heat in environments where room air conditioning is not an option.

The Farmer's Almanac predicts the current July heat wave to be only the first hint of the soaring temperatures summer 2012 has in store for North America. The U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Health and Safety (OSHA) has issued warnings about the health hazards that high heat conditions pose to workers on the job. Employers can increase employee productivity as well as safeguard workers' health against the effects of the expected recurring heat waves throughout July, August and possibly into fall.

Among the many companies which have reaped the benefits of Vortec's cooling technology is TCI of Alabama, an electrical equipment recycling facility located in a region where daytime summer temperatures typically remain over 100 degrees for weeks at a time. "After ten years of trying other things, I heard about Vortec," states Paul Eddins, TCI Environmental Health and Safety Director. "Vortec's vests were better than what any of their competitors make. The Vortec vests are easy to clean and disinfect plus the tube connections are solid and reliable. Workers wearing the vests receive a steady, yet adjustable supply of cool air."

Cincinnati, OH-based Vortec is a division of the Fortune 200 firm Illinois Tool Works. Vortec has been recognized as the market leader in innovative pneumatic products that use compressed air efficiently to solve cooling, cleaning, and conveying problems for more than 50 years. In the early 1960s, Vortec was first company to develop technology for converting the vortex tube phenomenon into practical and effective, industrial cooling solutions.

For further information online:

OSHA: <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/heatstress/>

Vortec PAC vest specifications: <http://www.vortec.com/c-10-cooling-heating-vests.aspx>

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