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PVI Performer a Success at US Tradeshows--Showing Internationally in Spring '08!

CHARLOTTE, N.C., -- PlastiVac's new demonstration model Performer generated immense interest at both the SPE Thermoforming Conference (Cincinnati) and the In-Store Marketing Expo (Chicago) in September. Show attendees were particularly interested in seeing first-hand the tight process control, flexibility and robust performance achieved within the Performer's compact footprint. Exposure at the two shows has prompted almost 60 immediate requests for estimates in addition to general inquiries for more information. "There's an incredible benefit to actually seeing equipment in operation, especially in the case of the Performer", said Martin Eichenberger, PVI CEO. "People were amazed at the power and control achievable in a such a small machine—seeing it in person really underscores the machine's potential and starts the creative-thinking process. The applications are endless, especially to those who would have never considered thermoforming because of the typically huge machine size and price tag."

The Performer Series is the first of several new thermoforming machine introductions the company has planned. PVI's new management team, Eichenberger and partner Chuck Butcher (COO), bring over 40 years combined experience in equipment design/building and automation technology, as well as in quality management and process improvement. "With our background in automated assembly system design, it made sense to start creating turnkey production line solutions around the vacuum and thermoforming core. The Performer offers that flexibility and is incredibly robust as a stand-alone machine", said Butcher, who engineered the system. The Performer was designed specifically for precision thermoforming of smaller parts and products. Its compact footprint makes the Performer ideal for:

- operation as a production cell or multiple cells within a larger assembly process
- increasing control and profitability by bringing previously outsourced processes in-house, with a low investment in capital and space
- use as a stand-alone machine in environments where space is limited
- as an easy-to-learn introductory machine for expanding product/service offerings

The Performer is available in 3 sizes, with numerous options and accessories for customizing the machine to serve a broad range of applications. The machine is designed for easy upgrades as the customer's needs change and grow. More information and specifications are available online at www.plastivac.com and by calling the company directly.

The interest generated at the September shows, along with inquiries from international engineering portals such as GlobalSpec, has prompted PVI to demonstrate the Performer internationally this Spring. PlastiVac will be participating at SPE's European Thermoforming Conference in Berlin, and at Chinaplas '08, the 22st International Exhibition on Plastics and Rubber Industries, to be held in Shanghai. "With international trade becoming the standard for business today, coupled with China's impact on the global marketplace, the utility of a machine

such as the Performer is immense”, said Eichenberger. “We already have machine installations in 59 countries, but the Performer is our opportunity for a much larger international presence”.

About PlastiVac, Inc.

PlastiVac, Inc. has been a worldwide provider of vacuum and thermoforming machines for over 45 years. With installations in 59 countries, PVI equipment is used in a broad range of industries, including aviation, agricultural, architectural, automotive, building and construction, boating, computer, cosmetics, education, electronics, film and media, food, furniture, hospitals and medical, military, museums, packaging, sanitation and sign-making.

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