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## **Sumitomo Opens Second Training Facility**

**West Coast facility to support growing demand for the company's all-electric technology.**

(Atlanta, GA)...Sumitomo Plastics Machinery announced today that it will be opening a second training facility on the West Coast to support the increased sales of its all-electric injection molding machines and growing West Coast customer base.

The training facility, which will also be used for mold tests and demos, will have a new SE75DU direct-drive all-electric injection molding machine with the N-9 PC-based control system and equipped with a Yushin RAII- $\alpha$  Series take-out robot and RJG Inc.'s digital cavity pressure sensor technology.

4 two-day operation classes and 4 two-day maintenance classes have already been scheduled for the center, beginning in April 2007. "Students will get hands-on training in the 1,000 square foot machine demo area, supplemented with classroom training in the 500 square foot training room," said Sumitomo Manager of Education, Dave Stelmat.

"The new facility is the result of a strategic alliance with one of our local rep agencies in order to better support our west coast operations and the growing demand for Sumitomo's advanced all-electric technology," said Jim Mitchell, Vice President Sales, Western Region. "According to the SPI data, 2006 has seen an increase in the percentage of electric machines sold in North America, and at the same time, Sumitomo's market share of the electric machines sold has also risen."

The new facility will be located in the 2,500 square foot facility of Sumitomo sales representative agency Integrated Plastics Machinery, Inc. "We are very pleased to be a part of this endeavor

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and with Sumitomo's increased commitment to this geographic market," said David Bader, President of Integrated Plastics Machinery. "The availability of training on the West Coast, as well as the recent addition of Richard Ford as a new Sumitomo Regional Manager in Huntington Beach, CA, demonstrates Sumitomo's commitment to increasing its presence and customer support here."

The location in Corona, CA, is particularly convenient, being just 10 miles from Ontario Airport, 20 miles from John Wayne Airport and 40 miles from LAX.

Sumitomo has also increased its training schedule for 2007 in its Atlanta, GA, Technical Center and will continue to offer training in customer facilities. For mold tests and demos, the company now has 10 different locations across the U.S. and Canada.

For more information on Sumitomo training, please visit [www.sumitomopm.com/training.html](http://www.sumitomopm.com/training.html) or call Dave Stelmat or Kevin Walsh at (770) 447-5430.

Sumitomo Plastics Machinery manufactures a wide range of all-electric injection molding machines for diverse applications. The Sumitomo all-electric platform spans from 7 to 600 metric tons, including micro to mid-sized, high-speed, high-duty, vertical, insert, multi-shot and disc molding machine series.

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