



Gulf Controls promotes Rod Longnecker & Cary Wisner as they assume new responsibilities contributing to the growth of the business.

Tampa, FL – January 3, 2017: Gulf Controls Company, Inc. announces the promotion of Rod Longnecker to Executive Vice President Sales & Engineering, and Cary Wisner to Vice President Strategic Accounts & Pneumatics. Both will continue to report to John Flieman, President of GCC. Over the past year both Rod and Cary have taken on new responsibilities to drive revenue in customer facing activities and have made significant contributions to establishing Gulf Controls Company, Inc. as a leader in fluid power equipment for Florida and Southern Georgia.

Having served the company for the past 13 years in various engineering, operations and sales management positions, this past year Rod assumed management of all regional and district sales managers. Rod is passionate about delivering engineered solutions to customers and has worked closely with the company's District Sales Managers to establish clear metrics and goals. Rod promotes enhanced communication between the entire team to share knowledge & solutions from the field. With responsibility for managing engineering and the shop operations, Rod works closely with Gulf Control's largest OEMs to provide system design, fabrication and managed inventory as a world class partner.

Cary Wisner has served in various sales positions at Gulf Controls for over 30 years and now works with some of GCC's largest accounts. From 2014-2016, he has seen dramatic changes in these accounts, but Cary's tireless efforts to think outside the box for new solutions have helped to maintain a strong relationship. Also Cary has provided pneumatic solutions for a brand new market for GCC, the beverage dispensing industry. He took this business from ground zero to assisting a world renowned company through finding new ways GCC could provide subassemblies to streamline the customer's manufacturing and testing processes.

"We are so proud to have both Rod and Cary as first class members of our team at Gulf Controls," says John Flieman, President of GCC. "The perseverance, technical ability and positive attitude they bring both to the company and to our customers is second to none."

"I've had the pleasure of becoming acquainted with both Rod and Cary since GCC joined the EOHI family," says Richard Neels, CEO & President of Employee Owned Holdings, Inc. "I am so impressed by their technical knowledge and willingness to go above and beyond. Cary has stepped up to take on additional duties as pneumatics product manager, and Rod not only serves as key leadership for GCC, he also provides a fabulous job as our current employee elected director for the EOHI board of directors."

Gulf Controls has the knowledge in hydraulics, pneumatics, fluid conveyance and automation to provide world class products and complete fluid power systems for its customers. GCC is part of EOHI, a 100% employee owned company based in Houston, Texas which is also the parent of Hydraquip, Inc., Supreme Integrated Technology, Inc., and Elite Controls, Inc.