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Cortec® Spray Technologies 20th Anniversary: Journey from a Local Contract Packager to a Global Provider of MRO Products



This year marks the 20th anniversary of Cortec® Spray Technologies (CST)! When Cortec® first purchased the Spooner, Wisconsin, contract aerosol fill plant back in 1998, it mainly processed Rawn products-mostly dusters and cleaners that targeted the electronics industry. Twenty years later, CST has transitioned mainly to filling aerosols, spray cans, and bottles with Cortec's own corrosion inhibiting lubricants, cleaners, temporary coatings, and other MRO (Maintenance, Repair, and Operation) products that are used globally!

Some of CST's most popular products include the following:

- CorShield® VpCI®-369 (a corrosion inhibiting lubricant)
- CorShield® VpCI®-368 (a VpCI® removable coating alternative to cosmoline)
- ElectriCorr® VpCI®-238 & 239 (indoor and outdoor versions of a cleaner/protector for electrical contacts)
- EcoAir® 377 (a water-based dry film rust preventative packaged in air-powered spray cans)
- EcoAir® 337 (waterborne corrosion inhibitor for fogging internal spaces, packaged in air powered spray cans)
- EcoAir® BioCorr® (biobased dry film rust preventative)
- EcoSpray[™] 389 (non-aerosol water-based rust blocker)

All together, these MRO products are now sold to more than 30 countries representing six continents.

Another exciting part of CST's history is its contract packaging. Administrative Services Manager, Brenda Kaelin, estimates that this often makes about 50% of their volume, give or take. Among these contract fill opportunities, CST has the privilege of private labeling VpCI® products for significant global companies with name recognition.

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Not long after Cortec's purchase of CST, the company introduced its EcoAir® brand of bag-on-valve (BOV) technology. This technology replaces traditional aerosol cans with recyclable air powered spray cans for a more environmentally friendly spray dispensing method. The EcoAir® line is steadily growing to include more Cortec® product offerings, and recent sales volume has been perceptively increasing each year.

In addition to EcoAir®, Cortec® has also worked to supply other more environmentally friendly MRO offerings with its EcoLine® biobased products and its non-aerosol EcoSpray™/EcoClean® packaged products. Besides these environmentally friendly initiatives, CST was accepted into the Wisconsin Green Tier program in 2010, at which time it was praised for demonstrating its "commitment to superior environmental performance."

CST is one small branch of Cortec® that has a lot to offer to the world of MRO. CST's products already have an impact around the globe, and additional plant capacity eagerly stands by ready to deliver more of these effective MRO products in the coming years!



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