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### **SmartBob2 Level Measurement & Automated Inventory Reporting** ***Enhanced Lightning Protection, eBob Software and Control Consoles***

(Lincoln, Nebraska—February 19, 2009) BinMaster Level Controls introduces enhancements to its SmartBob2 weight and cable inventory management system for powder and bulk solids measurement in bins and storage silos up to 180 feet tall. Consisting of SmartBob measurement devices, control consoles and eBob reporting software, BinMaster provides an automated wired or wireless inventory monitoring and reporting solution for the grain, seed, feed, cement, coal, aggregates, food, chemical, pharmaceutical and plastics industries.

Measurement devices include the SmartBob2 remote for bins or silos up to 180 feet tall including a high temperature model to operate in extreme conditions from 240 to 500 degrees Fahrenheit, plus SmartBob-TS1 for smaller bins up to 40 feet tall. A new option for the SmartBob2 provides enhanced surge / transient protection for the RS-485 port for protection against power surges or indirect lightning strikes on tall silos. The new SmartBob C-100 Console reports measurements from up to 128 bins, while the Remote Start Unit – RSU console – is used for a single bin.

Windows-based eBob software can be used to initiate a measurement from a remote location and provide real-time inventory data from up to 100 vessels with a colorful, visual display of the level measurements. LAN configurations are also possible to share a common measurement database with multiple users on a local area network. Recent software updates include enhanced regional settings to support international date / time formats, simplified set-up and improved flexibility of email reporting.

With thousands of devices installed in the field, SmartBob is providing reliable inventory reporting in diverse applications in more than 20 countries worldwide. “SmartBob cable-based devices have performed in challenging environments where ultrasonics and radar have proved unreliable or failed, plus it is far more economical” stated Todd Peterson, vice president of sales for BinMaster. “SmartBob is also ideal for emerging industries such as biodiesel and ethanol plants or any location where ongoing inventory management and remote reporting is required for multiple small to large bins.”

#### **About BinMaster**

BinMaster is a division of Garner Industries – an ISO 9001:2000 certified company established in 1953 and headquartered in a 75,000 square foot manufacturing facility in Lincoln, Nebraska, USA. BinMaster is strategically focused on designing, manufacturing and marketing reliable, proven sensing devices for the measurement of bulk solid and liquid materials for the feed and grain, food, plastics, pulp & paper, power, mining, and concrete industries. The BinMaster product line is sold worldwide and features many diverse technologies for bin level indication and measurement, being well known for its SmartBob2 advanced inventory management solution. For more information about BinMaster, visit [www.binmaster.com](http://www.binmaster.com).

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