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## news release

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### ***QComp enters partnership with Danaher for new AGV*** **— Technology to be applied to laser-guided, driverless forklift —**

**Greenville, Wis. (June 3, 2005)** — QComp Technologies, Inc. has signed a licensing agreement with Danaher Motion Sarö of Sweden for technology that will be used in the company's new Automated Guided Vehicle (AGV) product line. Under the agreement, QComp purchased the software licenses and hardware to develop a prototype laser-guided AGV by applying the Danaher controls to a standard industrial forklift. The AGV will be sold in conjunction with a palletizing system and will be available this fall.

“This new product line fits well into our robotic systems,” says QComp President and CEO Tom Doyle. “We believe that the AGV technology, coupled with our robotic technology, will help keep manufacturing companies competitive with foreign competition.”

While AGV systems are commonly used by large companies, QComp will target midsized companies with the new product line, according to Doyle. By applying the Danaher controls to a standard forklift, the company will be able to create a driverless automated forklift at a competitive price.

Supported by the Danaher NDC8 platform, all route and path information is downloaded via wireless LAN. After receiving a command, the AGV chooses its best route, and navigates a path to a station by detecting reflectors that are located throughout a building. After taking its pallets to a stretch wrapper, the AGV navigates to the warehouse.

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The laser guidance system offers more flexibility than a wire or tape guidance system because it does not require any tracks or rails, and driving routes can easily be changed within the software. The QComp AGV will replace pallet conveyers, which allows for less product damage that typically occurs with a traditional forklift.

Other advantages to the system include reduced labor costs, increased safety on the plant floor and a competitive price. The expandable system can support one to 50 vehicles.

Danaher Motion Sarö develops and provides software and hardware components for navigation, control, fleet management and service for AGVs.

Founded in 1991, QComp Technologies, Inc. provides automation solutions for a variety of industries. The company designs and builds automated robotic manufacturing cells and materials handling systems, as well as engineers and manufactures drive systems for paper, metal and converting industries. With headquarters in Greenville, Wis., QComp has sales and service offices in Wausau, Milwaukee, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Maine.

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