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Control Launches Extended Temperature Compact Industrial Ethernet Switch Series

MINNEAPOLIS, Minnesota — November 21, 2013—Control Corporation, a leading manufacturer of industrial device connectivity products, today announced the release of the RocketLinx® ES8508-XT series of industrial managed Ethernet switches. The introduction of this new 8-port switch series extends Control's popular RocketLinx line of industrial Ethernet switches by providing the convenience of both copper and integrated fiber Ethernet ports in a compact, extended temperature range switch ideally suited for deployment in factory, traffic and railway applications. Like all RocketLinx switches, the ES8508-XT series meets the performance and environmental criteria for demanding applications with an extended operating temperature, rugged design, and broad security and performance features including VLAN, QoS, and RSTP/MSTP support. The new RocketLinx ES8508-XT model includes eight (8) 10/100BASE-TX ports while the ES8508F-XT models (Single-Mode and Multi-Mode) feature six (6) 10/100BASE-TX and two 10/100BASE-FX SC fiber ports. All three switches meet EN50121-4 EMC and IEC 61373 vibration standards for railway applications.

"The introduction of the RocketLinx ES8508-XT switches respond to the growing requests for a smaller, fiber-integrated counterpart to our successful ES8510-XT series of transportation and industrially focused switches," stated Brad Beale, President of Control, "The ES8508-XT series delivers the same security and management features found in our other managed 'XT' switches but in a smaller, economical package with NEMA TS2 traffic certification and a high level of immunity to both electromagnetic interference and vibration."

The ES8508-XT series also supports Modbus TCP/IP for integration with factory networks and includes the latest technologies to ensure reliable, high-bandwidth data communication including a 32Gbps switch fabric for real-time non-blocking data transmission, dual 10-60VDC redundant power inputs (positive or negative), redundant network topology support, and a high performance ARM9 processor with an embedded hardware watchdog timer for system reset and recovery.

About Control Corporation

For more than 30 years, Control Corporation has been a manufacturer and provider of quality networking and industrial data communication products, specializing in industrial Ethernet and device connectivity. With representation across North America, EMEA, Asia and Latin America, Control sells [RocketLinx](#)[®] industrial grade Ethernet and Power over Ethernet switches, [DeviceMaster](#)[®] Ethernet device servers and gateways and [RocketPort](#)[®] multiport serial cards through distributors, resellers and integrators worldwide. Providing exceptional product and technical support, Control establishes solutions for a wide range of security, energy, industrial automation and traffic and transportation applications. For more information, contact Control Corporation at 800-926-6876 or visit www.comtrol.com.

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