## **News Release**



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# Harland Simon upgrades Drives Master PLC and Drives at Quad City Times, IA

Harland Simon has recently completed an upgrade of a drive master PLC and three 1395 drives on a Goss Colorliner press in Davenport, IA; helping Lee Enterprise to provide a reliable platform to meet their increasingly demanding print schedule.

The project included the replacement of three 150HP 1395 drives and one PLC/5 drive masters, with off-the-shelf Allen Bradley hardware. The remaining two 1395 drives remain in operation, interfaced to the new drive master PLC, thus allowing the full press-wide upgrade to be staged over multiple financial cycles. Thanks to Harland Simon's extensive upgrade expertise, the installation was carried out without any interruption to production. Harland Simon's suite of diagnostic tools and the comprehensive AB RSLogix 5000 package will ensure that performance of the new drives is continually monitored so that if any issues occur they can be rapidly resolved.

This project follows a number of successful press drive upgrades including at Daily Sentinel, CO; Burlington Free Press, VT; Windsor Star, ON; Winston Salem, NC and Brunswick News, NB.

John Staiano, Managing Director - Americas for Harland Simon further commented "As with a number of our upgrade solutions, having the ability to 'stage' these upgrades not only shows Harland Simon's flexible approach but allows the customer to spread capex funding over a number of years, while keeping all equipment (new and old) in working order"

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#### **About Harland Simon**

Harland Simon is one of the world's leading suppliers of newspaper press control and management systems. With roots going back to 1915, the company has been providing innovative, user-friendly and reliable solutions to the newspaper printing industry for over thirty years, from 'turnkey' systems for new presses to cost effective upgrades on existing presses.

Utilizing the benefits of industry-standard hardware and software platforms, Harland Simon offers a complete range of products and solutions including press drives and controls as well as associated computer management systems and production tools. It's an approach that Harland Simon has used on many occasions previously on systems supplied by Goss, Rockwell Automation, KBA, Honeywell, EAE and manroland to improve performance, minimize waste and maximize production quality whilst keeping presses in daily production.

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