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**Parker Hannifin partners with Abex Hydraulics to open 1,000<sup>th</sup> ParkerStore in Asia Pacific. The new ParkerStore enhances product availability in the Chonburi province.**

Amata Nakorn, Chonburi, Thailand — October 15, 2013 — Parker Hannifin Corporation, the global leader in motion and control technologies, and Abex Hydraulics & Engineering Company Limited opened the 1,000<sup>th</sup> ParkerStore in the Asia Pacific market.

On October 15th, ParkerStore and Abex Hydraulics & Engineering had a Grand Opening Celebration to mark this milestone, including a ribbon cutting, refreshments and a facility tour. This is the sixth ParkerStore for Abex Hydraulics & Engineering in their 25-year partnership with Parker.

The 1,000<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific store was tailored to the needs of workers of Chonburi province and demonstrates the company's commitment to thinking globally and acting locally. The store includes a comprehensive range of inventory, as well as the introduction of three Hose Doctor Service vehicles, which provide customers with premier on-site service.

"Thailand had a demand and we fulfilled it," said Mr. Kurt Keller, President of the Asia Pacific Group at Parker Hannifin. "We do everything we can to make sure our customers get what they need when and where they need it, so they can get back to work. We will continue to grow and establish new stores wherever there is a demand for our superior products and value-added services."

Since the first ParkerStore opening in 1993, it has taken just 20 years for the company to expand to approximately 2,500 stores globally.

Over 300 people were in attendance at the event, including customers, suppliers from neighboring countries, contractors and corporate executives like Mr. Kurt Keller; Mr. Bob Bond, President of the Fluid Connector Group; Mr. Brad Fischer, Director of Global Retail Operations; as well as Mr. Komsan Eakachai, Governor of the Chonburi Province, Thailand.

"The event was important to celebrate such an important milestone," said Keller. "Reaching 1,000 stores in the Asia Pacific market was a goal we all knew we could achieve. It was only a matter of when, where and how fast. I couldn't ask for a better facility or location. We are growing Parker's footprint in the fastest growing economy in the world. Abex Hydraulics & Engineering and ParkerStore have a lot to celebrate."

ParkerStore is now pursuing a goal to reach 3,000 stores worldwide and ensuring the customers in the Amata Nakorn Industrial Zone continue to receive dedicated, knowledgeable customer service.

For more information regarding ParkerStore and the Grand Opening of the 1,000<sup>th</sup> store in the Asia Pacific region, please visit [www.parkerstore.com](http://www.parkerstore.com) or contact the Parker Hannifin Global Retail Operations at 216-896-3000.

With annual sales of \$13 billion in fiscal year 2013, Parker Hannifin is the world's leading diversified manufacturer of motion and control technologies and systems, providing precision-engineered solutions for a wide variety of mobile, industrial and aerospace markets. The company employs approximately 58,000 people in 49 countries around the world. For more information, visit the company's website at [www.parker.com](http://www.parker.com).

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