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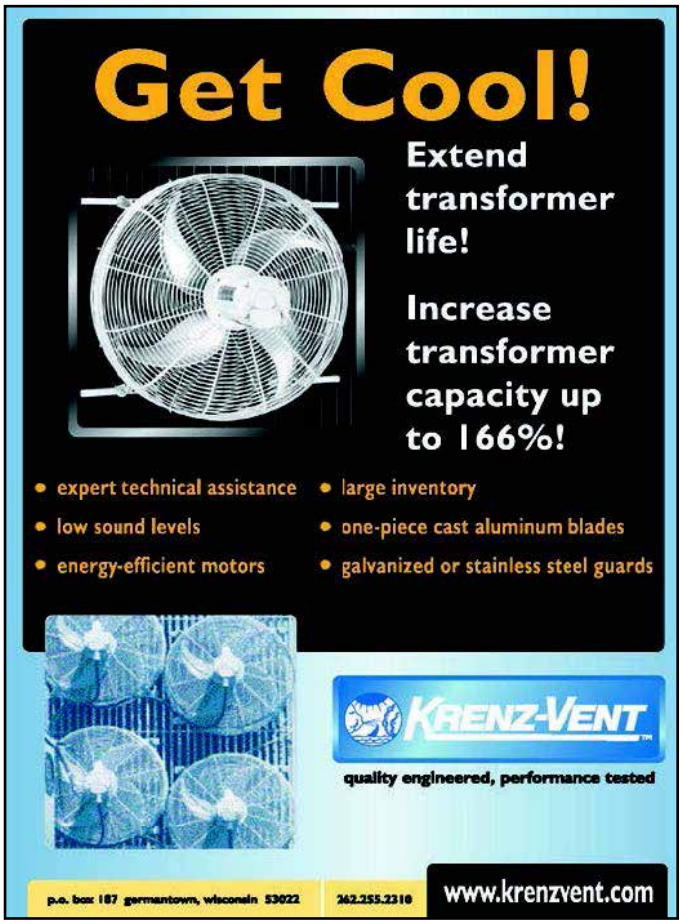

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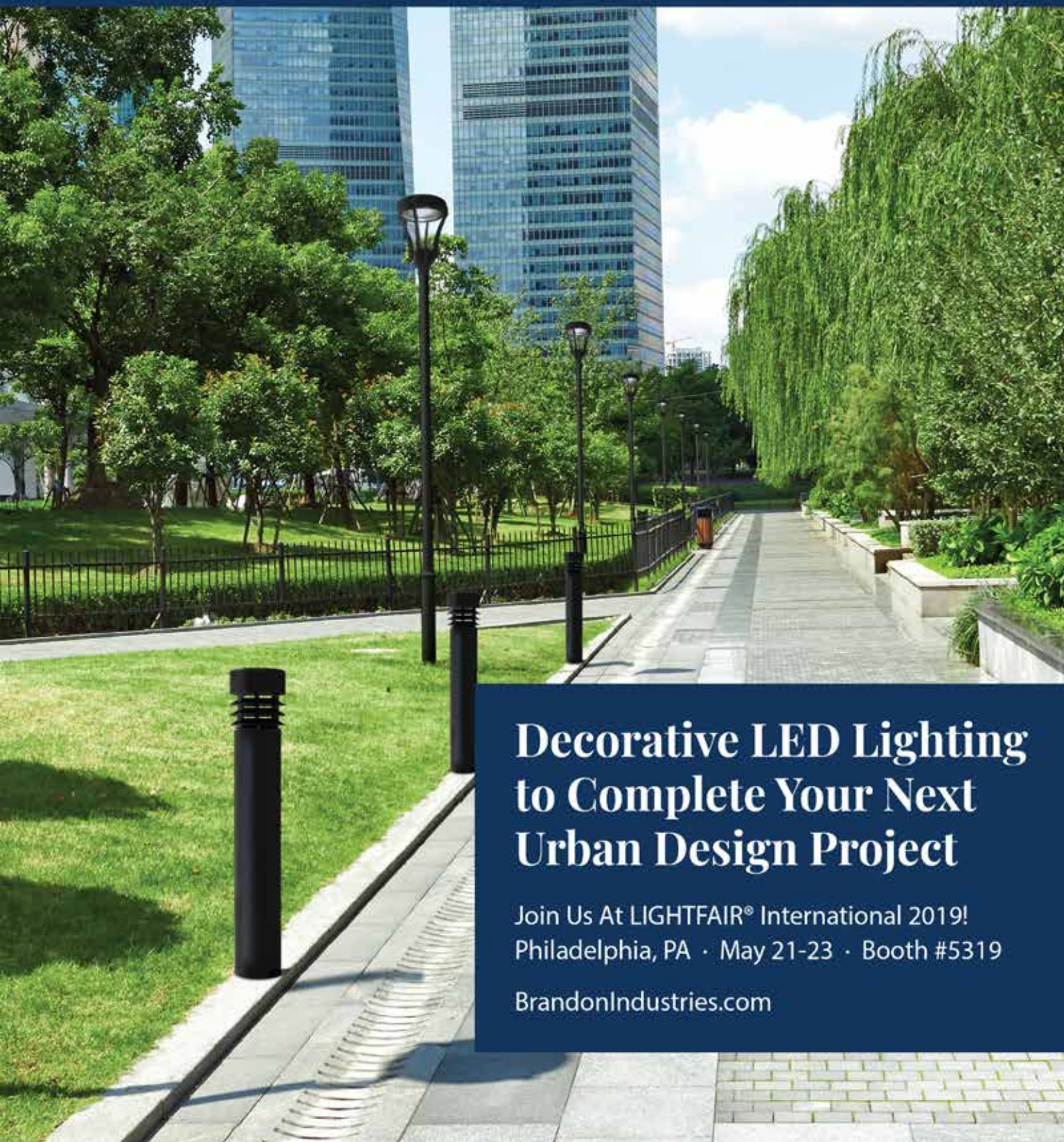

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AstroNova Announces 8-Channel Input Module for Bridge, Current, Voltage, and IEPE Measurements

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AstroNova® Test and Measurement expands its line-up of input modules with the release of the IBIV-8 module for Daxus® DXS-100 and SmartCorder® DDX-100 data acquisition systems. With internal bridge completion, shunt calibration, and support for the most common bridge resistance values, the IBIV-8 is ideally suited for bridge-based sensors and strain measurements. The IBIV-8 also offers unparalleled flexibility allowing users to perform a variety of measurements in a single module.

Offering eight input channels, the IBIV-8 reduces the cost per channel by as much as 38% versus existing modules and competitive offerings. Available with 10-pin Lemo or D-Sub connectors, the IBIV-8 simplifies wiring, and built-in hardware-based counter and timer functions eliminate the need for additional hardware.

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Klein Tools (www.kleintools.com), for professionals since 1857, introduces a new Electrical Tester Kit, combining two essential tools for electricians, the NCVT-5A Dual Range Non-Contact Voltage Tester with Laser Pointer and the RT210 GFCI Receptacle Tester, at a great price point.

Electrical Tester Kit with Dual-Range NCVT and GFCI Receptacle Tester (Cat. No. NCVT5KIT) NCVT-5A

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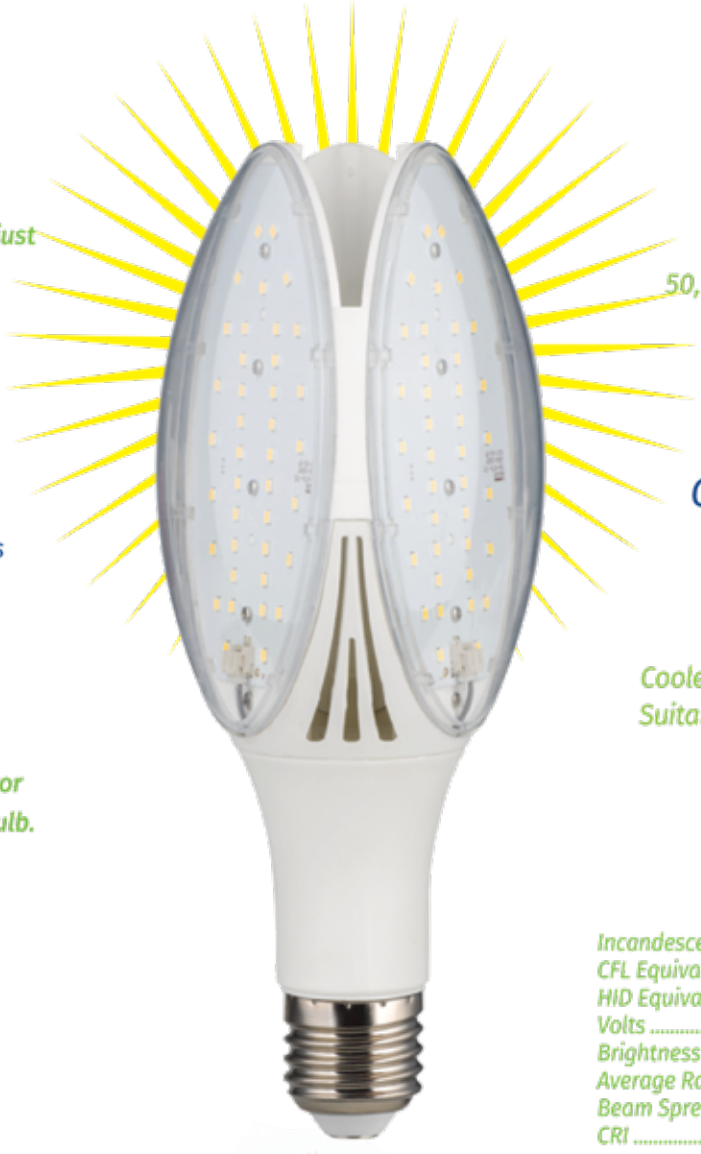

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"In putting this kit together, we wanted to give trade professionals two essential tools at a great value," said Sabrina Kalsi, product manager at Klein Tools. "The NCVT-5A is a dual-range non-contact voltage tester with integrated laser pointer. The dual-range tester features a bright Class 3a laser that enables the user to highlight objects on the jobsite at far distances making it perfect for working on sites from small residential developments to large-scale commercial endeavors. Paired with the RT210 receptacle tester, this is the perfect kit for electricians, facilities and maintenance professionals, and construction workers."

For more information, visit www.kleintools.com/new-products or search for #NewKleins on social media.

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BitFlow Shipping its First CoaXPress 2.0 Frame Grabber

New Claxon-CXP4 doubles transmission speeds of previous CoaXPress standard,
Offers full feature set of CoaXPress 2.0 specification

For over two decades, BitFlow has been known for pushing the limits of what a frame grabber could do in machine vision systems. Today, BitFlow pushed those limits even further by shipping its new Claxon-CXP4, a quad CoaXPress-12 PCIe Gen 3 frame grabber that accelerates video transmission speed to 12.5 Gb/s -- or twice as fast as the current CXP 1.1 standard. Now in full production, the new frame grabber will be shipping this month and available through BitFlow's international distributor network.

"While the Claxon is not the first CXP 2.0 frame grabber on the market, it is certainly one of most stable and feature-rich, since our engineering team built the full CXP 2.0 specification into it rather than pick and choose what capabilities the customer was permitted to use," said Donal Waide, Director of Sales, BitFlow, Inc. "A machine system designer can only experience the full potential of CXP 2.0 performance by having access to all its capabilities, which they do with the new Claxon. It guarantees BitFlow customers will be thoroughly ready for the increased data demands the latest generation of high-resolution, high-speed cameras in complex high-speed industrial, military and medical applications."

Despite doubling its speed, BitFlow engineers kept the overall architecture of the Claxon-CXP4 identical to the company's previous generation Cyton CXP-6 frame grabber, allowing users to easily swap-out slower CXP 1.1 cameras with more powerful CXP-12 or CXP-10 cameras without major software changes or system downtime. It accommodates capture from up to four CXP-12 or CXP-10 cameras simultaneously, plus has high speed inputs and outputs to support an array of sensors and motion encoders. With four cables and four CXP-12 cameras, the maximum data transfer rate is 5 GB/S, the highest data acquisition rate in the industry today, even at cable lengths up to 40 meters.

By harnessing the speed of CXP 2.0, the Claxon-CXP4 accelerates uplink to 41.6 Mbps, a benefit that enables a host to send triggers to a camera at rates of 600 kHz in single trigger mode or almost 300 kHz in dual trigger mode, all without requiring a dedicated high-speed uplink cable. Performance is also improved by the frame grabber's use of Micro BNC connectors which are more robust and run at higher speeds than traditional DIN 1.0/2.3 connectors. A heartbeat packet has also been added which supports time synchronization of multiple cameras, along with the ability to host event packets so that asynchronous messages can be sent from the camera.

Adding the Claxon-CXP4 to an application is simplified by the BitFlow SDK supporting 32-bit and 64-bit operating systems, or by downloading free drivers from the company's website for 3rd party machine vision packages. Applications can be developed using C/C++/.NET and the company's sophisticated buffer management APIs. The software included with the Claxon-CXP4 is compatible with all other BitFlow frame grabbers, making the pivot from Camera Link to CXP fast and trouble-free.

For more information, please call 781-932-2900 or visit www.bitflow.com.

About BitFlow
BitFlow has been developing reliable, high-performance Frame Grabbers for use in imaging applications since 1993. BitFlow is the leader in Camera Link frame grabbers, building the fastest frame grabbers in the world, with the highest camera/frame grabber densities, triggering performance, and price. With thousands of boards installed throughout the world, into hundreds of imaging applications, BitFlow is dedicated to using this knowledge and experience to provide customers with the best possible image acquisition and application development solutions. BitFlow, located in Woburn, MA, has distributors and resellers located all over the world including Asia, the Americas, and Europe. Visit our website at ***http://www.bitflow.com.***

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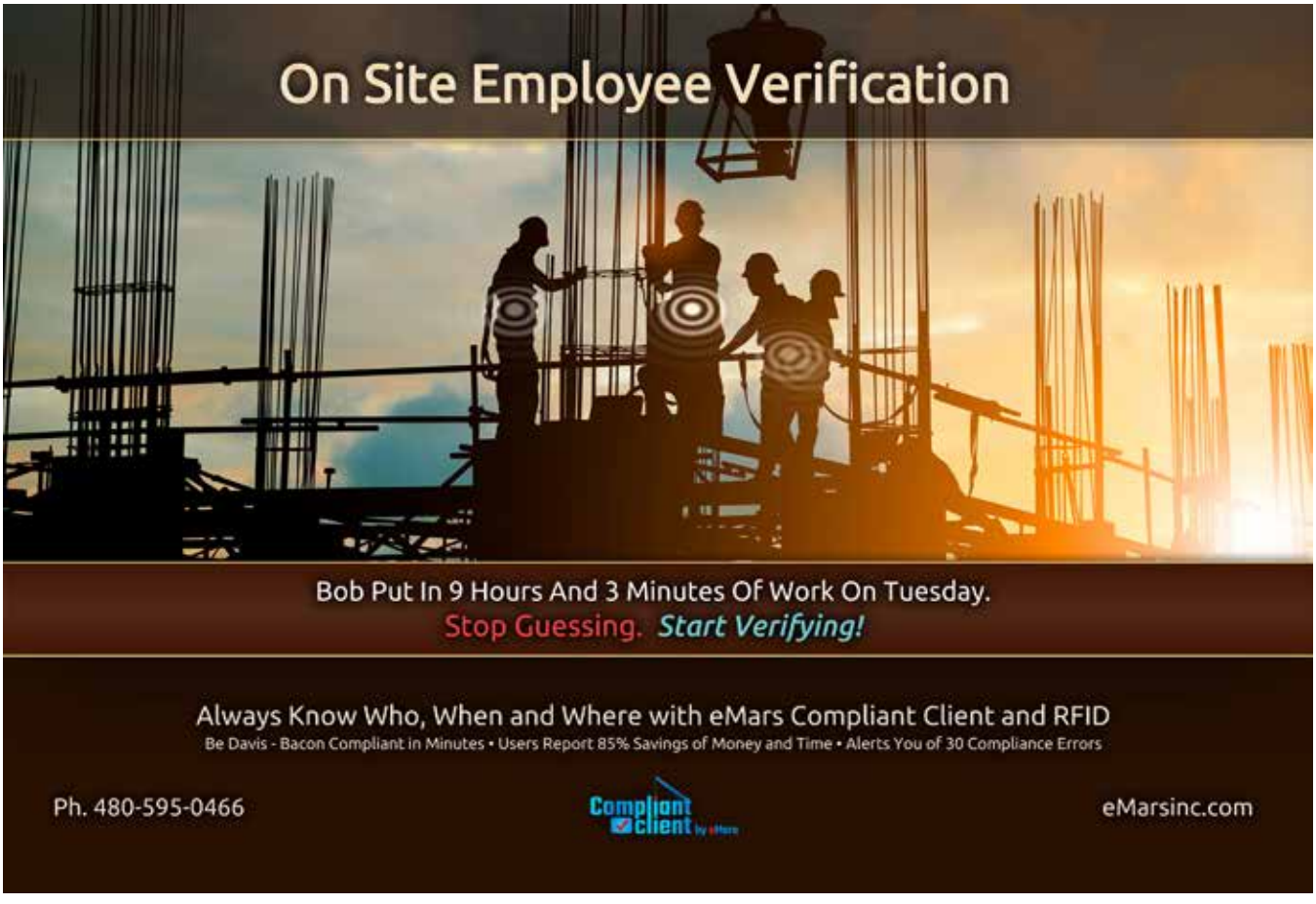

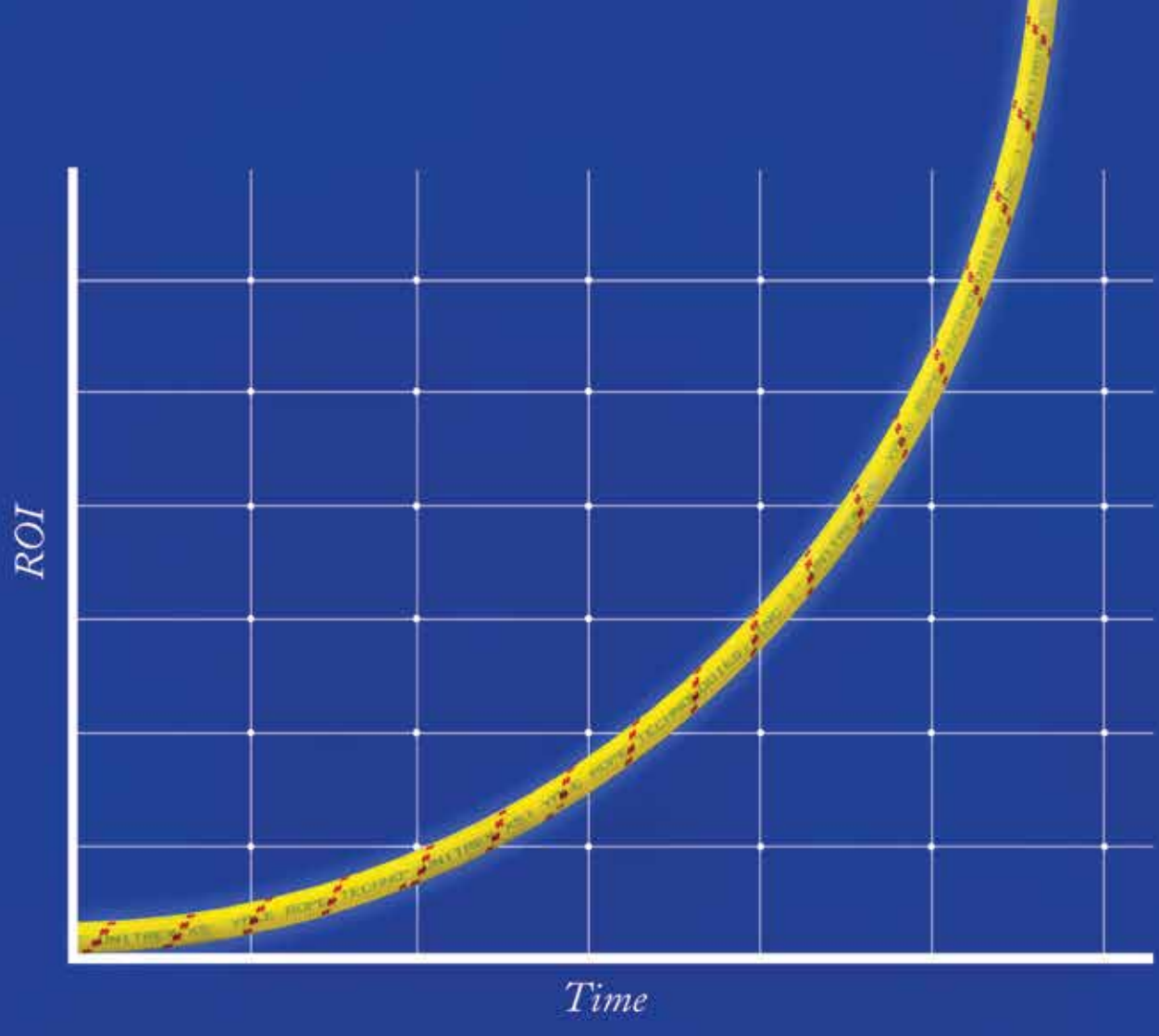

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