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ESAB ACQUIRES GAS CONTROL EQUIPMENT, BECOMES LEADING PROVIDER OF FLOW CONTROL AND OXY-FUEL SOLUTIONS

Annapolis Junction, M.D. – ESAB Welding & Cutting Products today announced that it has acquired Gas Control Equipment ("GCE"). With headquarters in Malmö, Sweden, GCE is a leader in European gas equipment, offering full solutions for general industrial, healthcare, high-purity and science and research applications. GCE employs more than 900 people.

"GCE offers industry-leading brands and a rich tradition. GCE businesses have more than 100 years of experience developing, manufacturing and distributing equipment for pressure and flow control of high pressure gases, as well as cutting and welding equipment," says Shyam Kambeyanda, President, ESAB. "The opportunities created by combining GCE with ESAB's global presence and continuous improvement culture will drive both businesses to achieve new heights of success."

ESAB Welding & Cutting Products is a recognized leader in the welding and cutting industry. From reliable high productivity processes in welding and cutting to revolutionary technologies in mechanized cutting and automation, ESAB's filler metals, equipment, and accessories bring innovative solutions to customers around the globe. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.esab.com">www.esab.com</a> or call 1-800-ESAB-123.

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