

SAN JOSE, CA, Aug. 21, 2009 Methode Power Solutions Group Introduces Its New RK Series Power Contact System ([BUSINESS WIRE](#))-- Methode Power Solutions Group introduces its new RK Series Power Contact System for applications requiring high current DC connections and minimal voltage drop. The new, competitively priced RK contact system is ideal for use with bulk power connections found in many products on the market today.

The RK Series socket contact is made of gold plated, heat-treated Beryllium copper. Mating pins are customized to the application. The new system is designed to maximize contact surface area which results in minimizing voltage drop and heat build-up. A wide variety of mounting options allow customers design flexibility in connecting bus bar-to-bus bar, wire-to-bus bar, wire-to-wire, or wire-to-printed circuit board. The RK Series is designed to be compatible with leading industry standard connectors.

The RK Series is available in crimp, bus bar, and PCB mount options and is easily customized to meet application specific requirements. Standard tooled pin sizes are 5.7 mm (125A) and 9.1 mm (200A). Methode's in-house design engineers, CNC machining capability, test lab, and injection molding expertise allow for quick response to customer connector requirements.

Methode Power Solutions Group, Cableco brand General Manager, Chip Bronk, states, "The RK connector system compliments our Tribotek™ WovenBud contact system that serves very high performance markets. With the planned introduction of our new PowerBud™ power contact next month, Methode will offer a full 3-tier approach to meet all of our customers power connection needs. The new RK Series Contact System meets customer needs for a cost-effective, high power density contact system where minimized voltage drop is essential to the application."

Methode Power Solutions Group also includes Tribotek™ high power connectors, laminated and machined bus bars, PowerRail™ bus bar and cable interconnect systems, and thermal management products. Engineering design centers are located in San Jose, CA and Rolling Meadows, IL.

For more information on the new RK Series power connectors, or any of Methode's power cabling solutions, please contact: Methode Power Solutions Group, 1750 Junction Ave., San Jose, CA 95112, Phone: 408-453-9500. Fax: 408-943-6655. Email: sales@cablecotech.com. Web: www.cablecotech.com.

Methode Power Solutions Group is a major manufacturer of cable, interconnection and custom engineered products designed for high-current power distribution solutions for computer, computer peripheral, office automation, instrumentation, telecommunication, medical, industrial and military applications. In addition to its custom solution capabilities, Methode serves the high-tech industry with a broad line of products that include the extra flexible PowerFlex™ cable, the Power SwivelNut™ rotating threaded nut for stranded wire cable termination, the cost effective PowerPath™ power distribution cable system, and the PowerRail™ pluggable rail power distribution system. Methode Power Solutions Group has design and manufacturing in its San Jose, CA facilities and shipping from their operations in Dallas, Texas.

Methode Electronics, Inc. (NYSE: MEI) is a global designer and manufacturer of electro-mechanical devices with manufacturing, design and testing facilities in the United States, Malta, Mexico, the United Kingdom, Germany, the Czech Republic, China, Singapore, the Philippines and India. We design, manufacture and market devices employing electrical, electronic, wireless, radio remote control, sensing and optical technologies to control and convey signals through sensors, interconnections and controls. Our business is managed on a segment basis, with those segments being Automotive, Interconnect, Power Products and Other. Our components are in the primary end markets of the automobile, computer, information processing and networking equipment, voice and data communication systems, consumer electronics, appliances, aerospace vehicles and industrial equipment industries. Further information can be found on Methode's website www.methode.com.

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