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## ANNOUNCEMENT • ASSA ABLOY WESTGATE ANNOUNCES NEW OWNERSHIP

To our Valued Supporters,

As many of you know, the Helton Group of Companies is a family owned business founded jointly by Gerhard Rauch and Henry Neels in 1981. Since that time, many hardworking employees have contributed to Helton's growth and success. Today the Helton Group of Companies is one of the most respected companies in the overhead door industry, employing 230 people.

For every founder of a company there comes a time when they must decide who will continue the legacy of their company. This is a very important and critical decision that must ensure the long term success for our Employees, Customers and Suppliers.

It is with this in mind that Gerhard and Henry have decided to transition Helton Industries, Westgate Door Industries and their related companies to a new owner. Effective May 10th, Helton Group - including Westgate Door Industries has become part of the ASSA ABLOY Entrance Systems Group. ASSA ABLOY Entrance Systems Group is the global leader in door solutions. ASSA ABLOY employs 40,000 people with support in 100 countries around the world. ASSA ABLOY companies include Dynaco, Megadoor, Albany, Besam, Ditec, Crawford and FlexiForce. ASSA ABLOY pursues companies who perform at the top of their industries. They allow group companies to operate independently, with local management making decisions for each location.

Westgate will continue to operate with no changes. All staff and employees will continue in their current positions, and all supplier relationships will continue without interruption.

Thank you for your ongoing support as a supplier to the Helton Group of Companies. We look forward to a continued long term relationship and to the exciting journey ahead.

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