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### **New Weidmuller Industrial Ethernet Routers offer Improved Management and Control Ability**

RICHMOND, VA (July 15, 2009) – Weidmuller, a leader in industrial networking solutions, announces the release of a new line of industrial Ethernet routers. These new routers are designed to provide engineers with networking options and network controls such as firewall protection, remote network access, virtual mapping of networks, virtual private networks, DHCP server options, DNS server functionality, and network call back features.

Weidmuller's new routers offer engineers greater management and control ability over their industrial networks, from the data flow between back office functions and factory floor, to the management of information between each machine or process.

“With the integrated firewall feature and VPN ability, engineers can access every device on their network from PLCs to sensors. This can be done from anywhere across the globe. All they need is an Internet connection, an ISDN, or a telephone line. Depending on the network type, engineers could perform real time system diagnostics, maintenance, configuration changes or system wide upgrades,” says Bruce Hofmann of Weidmuller.

The new routers provide the tools and capacity for superior network security such as SSH tunneling, VPN, virtual mapping (NAT), port forwarding, port filtering, and a packet level inspection firewall. In addition to security, these new routers also offer dial-

on-demand and a call back feature that allows a connection only when a device on the network downloads data from the Internet. Once the download is complete, the unit disconnects automatically. These features, combined with the intuitive configuration software and SNMP tools make it a powerful, yet easy-to-use device.

The new line of routers is designed for industrial use. They feature a wide operating temperature range of -40°C to + 70C, DIN-rail mounting, and are cULus Class 1 Division 2 approved for hazardous location use.

Weidmuller is the leading provider of solutions for the transmission of power, data and control signals in industrial environments. The company develops, produces and sells industrial electronics, network infrastructure components and connectivity solutions such as Wireless Solutions, Industrial Ethernet, Relays, Power Supplies, I/O modules, printed circuit board connectors, terminal blocks and complete DIN Rail assemblies. The Weidmuller group has a strong international focus with manufacturing and sales locations in over 70 countries.

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