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## **METRO LAUNCHES INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE DIVISION TO DRIVE INNOVATION, IMPROVE PATIENT CARE**

*Supported by the complementary strengths and combined expertise of Metro, Flo Healthcare, Lionville Systems and medDISPENSE, division offers complete solutions for clinical storage, mobile computing and medication management*

**WILKES-BARRE, Pennsylvania (October 1, 2009)** – Metro, a world leader in providing technology, storage and transport solutions for healthcare facilities and other industries, has realigned its healthcare division to drive innovation and improve patient care by integrating its clinical storage products with Flo Healthcare, Lionville Systems and medDISPENSE’s market-leading mobile computing and medication management solutions. A division of Emerson, InterMetro (Metro) acquired the three companies in 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

“This realignment enables Metro to build upon our industry-leading brands with a more focused investment in new technology and enhanced service offerings,” said John Nackley, President and CEO of Metro. “As a result of the shared expertise that these companies bring to Metro, our customers and partners will enjoy a broader array of healthcare products and services that improve productivity, reduce error and improve overall patient care.”

Metro’s realigned healthcare division includes three groups:

**Clinical Products** – Provides storage solutions with the latest technology for virtually every department within the hospital, including shelving systems, carts, work centers, cabinets and accessories. Metro products and services—such as Metro IQ shelving—enable hospitals to maximize space and productivity while ensuring reliable, efficient operation. The Clinical Products group also features Lifeline emergency carts and modular Starsys WorkCenters.

**Mobile Computing** – Offers mobile workstations with configurable designs to support EMR/clinical documentation, telehealth and vital signs data capture. The Metro Flo Series of wireless mobile computing workstations seamlessly connects clinicians with real-time information at the point of care. The Metro Lionville Series also allows for technology integration, while offering alternate power systems and additional options.

**Medication Management** -- Includes products from Metro, the Metro Lionville Series and the Metro medDispense Series to offer customers a wide selection of automated dispensing cabinets, medication carts and pharmacy fixtures for acute-care and long-term-care environments. Metro’s medication management systems support pharmacists, nurses and technology professionals wherever medications are stored, dispensed, administered and recorded.

“These brands offer our customers and partners with innovative products and services for every area of the hospital, including the pharmacy, operating room and patient rooms,” added Nackley.

“By uniting these market leaders under Metro, we provide a total solution that will better deliver on our promise of improving patient care, together.”

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**About Metro**

For more than 75 years, Metro has been the world’s leading manufacturer of technology, storage and transport products in healthcare, foodservice and commercial markets. Committed to understanding the needs of customers and channel partners, Metro provides complete solutions that optimize space, improve workflow and ensure overall safety. InterMetro (Metro) is a division of Emerson. For more information, visit [www.Metro.com](http://www.Metro.com).

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