Packaging and Green Can Work Together: Keith Donaldson, Intercept Technology Group Executive Director, Presents "How Carbon Footprints, Green Initiatives, and Reliability Work Together"

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Massachusetts-based Liberty Packaging Co., Donaldson's product reliability expertise comes from working closely with Bell Laboratories, Alcatel-Lucent. His business experience with reliability identification and solution sharing to numerous companies on every populated continent on this planet reinforces his insight.

Donaldson's emphasis is to look at the core to reliability problems. "The overall pollution level in the world is increasing; unfortunately this comes at the same time that the selection of metal(s) and/or coatings and other



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22 Raleigh Road Braintree, MA 02184 781.849.3355 800.776.5756 toll free 781.848.6760 facsimile treatments is being monitored, restricted, or banned. Clever companies involved in worldwide business understand the judicious choice of packaging; packaging can have a dramatic affect on not only the product it is to protect, but also to provide a means of improving overall operating costs by increasing reliability and reducing overall carbon footprint." Therefore, according to Donaldson, "the correct packaging selection can allow companies to save money by becoming environmentally friendly."

Compared to the track of international companies, Chicago based Donaldson is concerned with many American manufacturers' packaging approach. Donaldson started his presentation by retelling the historical Battle of Agincourt. Henry V's army, though outmanned by more than four soldiers to one, won the battle by using strategy and shrewdness reinforced by a new weapon; the long bow. Said Donaldson: "It is time to challenge American companies. We should utilize all tools such as *smart packaging* and embrace a total cost approach that would allow this packaging to help American companies increase equipment reliability, increase sustainability, and lower their carbon footprint."

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