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Juki Automation Systems and Storage Solutions Receive a Joint 2016 Global Technology Award

MORRISVILLE, NC — **September 2016** — Juki Automation Systems (JAS), Inc., a world-leading provider of automated assembly products and systems and part of Juki Automation Systems Corporation, together with Storage Solutions, a division of ESSEGI SYSTEM SERVICE s.r.l., today announced that the companies were awarded a joint 2016 Global Technology Award. The award was presented to the companies in the Storage Systems category for the new ISM UltraFlex 3600 during a Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2016 ceremony that took place at the Donald Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, IL during SMTA International.

"The growing industry acceptance of the quality and performance of the Juki/Storage Solutions systems has been evident this year," stated Bob Black, President and CEO of Juki Automation Systems. "The 3600 offers even more value, flexibility and options to our customers. We appreciate the recognition of this award."

The ISM UltraFlex 3600 offers the utmost in flexiblity, storage capacity, intelligence and ROI in the industry. It can communicate across a wide variety of vendor platforms. Capable of providing up to 54 reels for production simultaneously, the ISM3600 can read low parts, warning to output the required reel in advance. With the capability to grow reels up to 88mm in height, the ISM3600 is the next piece in building out your smart factory.

The new machine and case designs enable the UltraFlex 3600 to store a maximum number of 3600 7"-8mm reels, but can accept any mix of reel sizes. During idle time, the machine will automatically sort cases to optimize the distribution of reels of different formats, always providing the maximum possible storage capacity.



The system can communicate with all major brands of SMT placement systems and software updates are available at no additional cost. The optional dehumidification kit can keep the internal relative humidity below the five percent level during all standard operations.

The UltraFlex 3600 is able to dynamically adjust the internal subdivision of space to accommodate changing mixes of reel heights from 8 up to 88mm, and diameters from 7 to 15". The new case designs allow storage of JEDEC trays on ANY case format (both 7 and 15" wide).

Premiering in 2005, the Global Technology Awards program is an annual celebration of product excellence in electronics surface mount assembly. Premier products based on the finest examples of creative advancement in technology are chosen by a distinguished panel of industry experts.

For more information about Storage Solutions, visit <u>www.storagesolutions.it</u>.

For more information about Juki Automation Systems, visit <u>www.jukiamericas.com</u>.

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About Juki Automation Systems, Inc.

Juki Automation Systems (JAS), is an international leader in high-speed SMT Assembly equipment, has shipped more than 30,000 machines worldwide since 1987. Juki has built its global image with a combination of top-quality and high-reliability machines with a reputation for world-class service and support that result in the lowest production costs for its customers. Juki machines have about 30 percent U.S. made content by cost. The pioneer of the modular assembly system in 1993, Juki offers flexible solutions designed for both high-volume and high mix environments. JAS, Inc. employs 45 U.S. employees, including 20 service personnel five specializing in applications sales.

Additionally, JAS, Inc. offers a full line of SMT manufacturing products as wells as selective solder and stamp soldering machines plus Advanced Technology through-hole machines. Juki supports one of the largest field service groups in the industry. For more information, visit <u>www.jukiamericas.com</u>.

About Storage Solutions

Storage Solutions offers its customers a real solution for completely exploiting the potential of the equipment used in the production department. The company's software offers all-round management of the entire company stock. Storage Solutions' automatic and intelligent component storage systems ensure a reduction of more than 50 percent setup time for pick-and-place equipment, complete certainty of the availability of the necessary components before starting any job order, and more. For more information, visit <u>www.storagesolutions.it</u>.