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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: New Product Reintroduction

GENERAL MACHINE PRODUCTS' LINE OF CABLE LASHERS QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY LASH UTILITY AND TELECOM CABLES

Summary

General Machine Products Company, Inc. reintroduces four cable lashers: the Apollo Lasher, the C2 Lasher, the J2 Lasher and the G Lasher. These lashers are easy to use and can be used for both the placement of new cable and for lashing previously installed cables.

April 2011; Trevose, PA – General Machine Products Company, Inc. (GMP), Trevose, PA, is pleased to reintroduce a new line of cable lashers to its extensive line of aerial utility tools and equipment. The Apollo Lasher, the C2 Lasher, the J2 Lasher and the G Lasher are designed for the placement of new cables and lashing previously installed cables. Each come with dual wire magazines for housing stainless steel lashing wire, a 6 ft (1.82 m) towing bridle, and a storage chest. They are easy to use and built to last. Lasher components are made of steel, bronze, brass and aluminum to exacting standards and can withstand years of rugged use.

The Apollo Lasher

The Apollo Lasher can be used for telecom cable placement, which includes coaxial and FTTx cable. It can lash any telecom cable or innerduct combination up to 4 inches (10 cm) in diameter. This tool has parallel-pull capability which allows cable placement over geographical obstacles, such as bodies of water, ravines or across treacherous terrain. It can perform interference-free, overlashing with no modification. The Apollo Lasher has a positive slip-free drive (no belts) that was tested in excess of 1 million cycles between failures. Its design allows for easy handling and its manual clutch make for speedy span transfers.

The C2 Lasher

The C2 Lasher is a compact tool made for lashing smaller diameter aerial cables. It is well suited for new construction or cable overlashing up to a full 1 7/8 inch (46 mm) bundle capacity. The C2 has a style strand lock that swings out of the way for unobstructed overlashing. It also features a simple wire routing that yields either "normal" or "loose" tension. It also has a removable front handle that provides an opening of 2 1/16 inches (52 mm) to allow for smooth overlashing to an existing bundle.

The J2 Lasher

The J2 Lasher can lash single or multiple aerial cable bundles up to 3 inches (76 mm) in diameter on a suspension strand of 1/4 inch (6 mm) to 7/16 inches (11 mm). This tool has an all-range tensioning device to optimize strand traction and high strength front and rear gates for tighter cable lashing. The J2 features a built-in mechanical brake to prevent unintended reversal and an automatic drum lock for easy span transfer.

The G Lasher

The G Lasher is the largest of GMP's lashers and it is designed to lash large single or combination aerial cables from 2 to 5 inches (64 to 127 mm) to a supporting strand. This tool provides nominal spacing of 16 1/2 inches (42 cm) between wraps. The G Lasher has a pulling mechanism that pivots around the axis of the rear driving roller that applies the right amount of hold down force for lashing large diameter cables.

More information is available online at:

www.GMPtools.com/nf/70400.htm [Apollo Lasher]

www.GMPtools.com/nf/71422.htm [C2 Lasher]

www.GMPtools.com/nf/86070.htm [J2 Lasher]

www.GMPtools.com/nf/10500.htm [G Lasher]

or by contacting Ted Clemens at 215-357-5500; info@GMPtools.com.

ABOUT GENERAL MACHINE PRODUCTS COMPANY

With 75 years of manufacturing and engineering excellence, General Machine Products Company, Inc., (GMP) is a global provider of a wide range of products for the telecommunications, power utility and cable television industries, and the contractors who serve them. Product applications include the placement of fiber optic, copper conductor, and coaxial cable both aerially and underground.

GMP aerial cable lashing machines, Adams® continuous duty winches and fiber optic cable pullers are accepted as the industry standard. The complete line of GMP's 1,100+ products also includes cable reels and aerial blocks, cable cutters, unique RJ plug pressing tools, fiber optic cable blowing equipment, and other specially-designed tools for the data, telecommunications, and power utility markets.

Our facilities include a 100,000-square-foot manufacturing plant in Trevose, PA, in suburban Philadelphia, and in Rutland, England (its CBS Products, Ltd. unit). Both facilities are equipped with a full complement of technologically advanced machine tools manned by a well-trained team of craftspeople.

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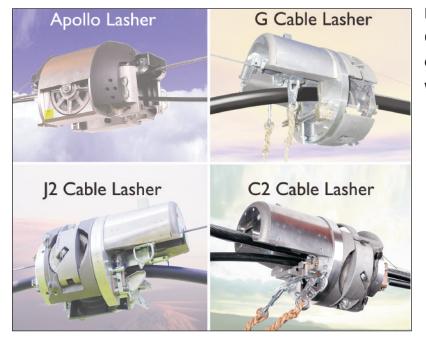


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GMP's cable lashers quickly and easily lash cables and can withstand years of rugged use.