



## **For Immediate Release**

### **Thompson Pump Employee Earns Certification as Senior Professional In Human Resources**

PORT ORANGE, Fla. (January 31, 2007) – Robert James Zicker, Human Resources Director for Thompson Pump and Manufacturing Company Inc. recently earned certification as a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR).

The certification, awarded by the Human Resource Certification Institute (HRCI), signifies that Robert James Zicker possesses the theoretical knowledge and practical experience in human resource management necessary to pass a rigorous examination demonstrating a mastery of the body of knowledge in the field.

"Certification as a human resource professional clearly demonstrates a commitment to personal excellence and to the human resource profession," said Susan Meisinger, SPHR, President and CEO of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). HRCI awards two levels of certification: Professional in Human Resources (PHR) and Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR).

Zicker has been with Thompson Pump & Manufacturing for over 9 years and Thompson Pump's HR Director for 6 years.

To become certified, an applicant must pass a comprehensive examination and demonstrate a strong background of professional human resource experience.

HRCI is the credentialing body for human resource professionals and is affiliated with the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), the world's largest organization dedicated exclusively to the human resource profession. The Institute's purpose is to promote the establishment of professional standards and to recognize professionals who meet those standards.

Thompson Pump is an industry leader in the development of high quality engine-powered portable pumps, ranging in size from 2"-18", for use in varied applications in the areas of public works, municipalities, construction, agriculture, dewatering, mining, sewer/lift stations, and water/waste water. The company sells and rents their entire line of dewatering pumps including wet and dry prime trash pumps, sound attenuated models, diaphragm pumps, hydraulic submersible pumps, high pressure pumps and wellpoint pumps as well as bypass systems, wellpoint systems and a complete line of pumping accessories.

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Thompson Pump, a family-owned company based in Port Orange, Fla., is a full-service manufacturer and provider of high quality pumps, pumping equipment and engineering expertise for the toughest dewatering, bypass and emergency pumping applications. Since 1970, Thompson Pump has assisted contractors worldwide with pump rental, sale, design, installation and operation. Thompson Pump operates sales, rental and service centers throughout Florida and in Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, New England, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. The company is also aligned with more than 30 regional, national and international distributors in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. Thompson Pump is a Blue Chip Enterprise Award winner and their products meet the requirements for certification as defined by the Contractors Pump Bureau. For more information, call (800) 767-7310 or log onto [www.thompsonpump.com](http://www.thompsonpump.com).

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