



MTD Micro adds LSR capability

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (Feb. 9, 11:30 a.m. ET) -- MTD Micro Molding of Charlton, Mass., anticipates a March launch for lights-out operations of its first liquid-silicone-rubber injection molding machine -- a 20-ton Sodick.

"We received the press in August" and have worked toward commercial applications, Brian Matachun, MTD director of technical sales for the eastern region, said in an interview during the UBM Canon trade shows, held Feb. 8-10 in Anaheim.

"Over five years, we have averaged annual increases of 50 percent from molding sales," Matachun said, projecting a continuation of the gains during 2011.

In addition to the LSR project, MTD operates 10 micro molding cells, each with a 20-ton Sodick.

MTD occupies more than 20,000 square feet and has 20 employees including 10 moldmakers. MTD makes molds for internal use.

In October, Ron Noggle joined MTD as director of technical sales for the western region.

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