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**Ampac Flexibles Expands Pouch Production Capability**

**Cincinnati, OH** (February 07, 2008)—Ampac Flexibles, the flexible packaging division of Ampac Packaging LLC, announces the installation of a new Mamata pouching machine in its Cary, Illinois, facility.

Installation of the new Mamata Vega 610 has given Ampac's Cary plant the ability to increase the range of pouches from simple 3-side seal flat pouches in limited sizes, to unlimited sizes without requiring new tooling. The Vega 610 also produces Doyen style stand-up pouches and plowed-in bottoms with zippers and tear notches.

Ampac's new pouch maker is all-servo driven, with a speed range of 1,500 to 5,000 cycles per hour, depending on the pouch type and configuration. It will handle a maximum web width of 1,220 mm, and a sealing width of 8 mm. The features of the new Vega 610 address the increasing needs for flexibility in today's marketplace. "We are excited to be able to offer a broader range of pouch styles and sizes to our customers, as well as respond more quickly to their needs with the new Mamata", says Sal Pellingra, Innovation and Marketing Director of Ampac Flexibles. "The Vega 610 really upgraded the capabilities at the Cary (Illinois) facility - it has a good cost/benefit ratio and we are pleased with the advanced features of the machine, especially its excellent sealing control."

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Ideal applications include products that require absolute seal integrity and are made of more difficult-to-handle webs. Examples include boil-in-bag pouches for food and sauce products, large bags of nutritional powders or other dry food and mix items, lawn and garden products such as seeds and fertilizers, containment of liquids or smaller pouches for transport, etc.

Ampac Packaging LLC is privately held, and is owned by senior executives together with equity backing by Prudential Capital Group and Falcon Investment Advisors. It is a diversified, international, flexible packaging company with 14 manufacturing centers in North America, Europe and Asia employing approximately 1,300 people with revenues in excess of \$300 million annually. In addition to products offered by Ampac Flexibles, the company is the preeminent supplier of domestic and overseas retail specialty shopping bags and security bag solutions.

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