



Important Customer Announcement

Pipe Supports Group and The Paterson Group Join Forces

The Pipe Supports Group has merged with The Paterson Group, incorporating Bergen Power Pipe Supports Inc, Carpenter & Paterson Inc, PHS Industries Inc and Process Pipe Support Systems (Canada) to create a truly global supplier of pipe support equipment.

By combining the Pipe Supports Group's expertise and manufacturing plants across Europe, Thailand, China and soon India, with our own capability and capacity in the USA, the new Pipe Supports Group is ready to meet the requirements of the power generation, oil, gas, petro-chemical, LNG and renewables industry worldwide.

The whole engineered hangers operation will be branded worldwide as **Bergen Pipe Supports**.

With manufacturing, technical sales and support facilities around the globe, the new Pipe Supports Group offers the broadest range of pipe support equipment. We are qualified & certified to ASME III - Division 1 - Sub-section NF, BSEN ISO9001-2008 and we meet the requirements of ASME B31, MSS SP58 and BSEN13480 part 3.

Our complete product range, including constant & variable effort supports, hydraulic snubbers, cryogenic pipe supports, isolation & insulation materials, low friction slide bearings and a wealth of hardware from beam attachments to pipe clamps, hanger rods to u-bolts, will evolve to integrate the best practice of both companies. In addition, Carpenter & Paterson will continue to carry a vast stock of hardware products available for delivery within 24 hours.

This step forward, combining two of the best pipe support manufacturers in the world, will ensure all our customers get the very best engineering solutions, meeting the highest level of excellence both technically and commercially in a very competitive market.

And our greater pool of experienced technical staff, based in facilities ideally located for your project, will prove an excellent resource for executing contracts more quickly and efficiently.

Over the next few months we will be keeping in touch to explain how we plan to integrate the product ranges and software systems and to demonstrate how the new, more comprehensive Pipe Supports Group will benefit your business and contracts.

We look forward to a continuing and growing relationship with your company.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David P. Lynch".

David P. Lynch
CEO - The Paterson Group