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## **MOOG PROTOKRAFT CELEBRATES 15-YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

**Kingsport, TN, USA** – Protokraft began business in October 2003 in a small business incubator located in Kingsport, TN. The original founders rented office space to pioneer an innovative new optical solution. This invention (the “Lightning”) was the first successful integration of an optical transceiver into a harsh environment wall-mount connector. The mil-aero marketplace immediately recognized the value of the Lightning product line, with the Patriot missile system adopting the technology for all fiber optic links between ground assets. Production began with Patriot Lightning units shipping by the end of 2004. Many platforms followed: F-16, F-18, F-35, Gripen, UH-60, MQ-1, MQ-9 and others.

Protokraft quickly expanded to several office suites and hired additional employees before the move to its current location in 2009. Protokraft’s unique design approach led to rapid product expansion. Optical video converters, media converters and Ethernet switches were soon designed and adopted by additional platforms: C-130, B-52, MQ-8, G/ATOR, P-8, KC390, V-22, AW101, WIN-T, RQ-4 and more.

Recognizing the growing success, Moog Inc. acquired Protokraft in March 2012 and changed the name to Moog Protokraft. Moog Protokraft continues their product innovation under this new leadership, refining existing product lines and expanding product capabilities. Products such as 10 Gbps optical transceivers, managed GbE switches, video encoders, data aggregation/compression, Ethernet transcoding, among other capabilities, are now an integral part of the company’s product portfolio. Today, Moog Protokraft is recognized as a leader for military high-speed signal conversion, management and transmission solutions.

Moog Protokraft sells 34 distinct product lines, both in the United States and internationally. Please join us in celebrating our 15<sup>th</sup> year of successful business. Learn what new innovative product is next by contacting your local Moog Protokraft representative or visiting [www.moogprotokraft.com](http://www.moogprotokraft.com).

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