

Deaton Engineering named as new National Instruments Associate Alliance Partner

DEI joins worldwide network of consultants, integrators, developers, and industry experts that partner with NI to provide high-quality virtual instrumentation solutions.

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Austin, Texas -- January 02, 2007 Deaton Engineering, a full service mechanical, electrical, and control software engineering firm, today announced it has joined forces with National Instruments as an Associate Alliance Partner. The formal affiliation with NI will allow DEI to expand its software services business by providing its LabView developers with more resources to help shorten the software development cycle. Deaton Engineering provides a wide array of software engineering services to clients in many industries including the pharmaceutical, medical device, industrial manufacturing, semi-conductor, food & beverage, and general manufacturing sectors. DEI has developed applications for automated control systems, embedded firmware, data acquisition, test and measurement hardware and client-server applications in complex environments. Custom products are designed and built to be highly efficient, network-enabled, and secure.

"We are excited to join the NI team and look forward to working with the Alliance Partnership network to expand our software services," said James (Ed) Deaton, president of Deaton Engineering. "We believe that this resource - combined with over 15 years of industry experience - will allow us to seize new opportunities for growth in the custom software markets that we serve."

About National Instruments

For 30 years, National Instruments (www.ni.com) has been a technology pioneer and leader in **virtual instrumentation** - a revolutionary concept that has changed the way engineers and scientists in industry, government and academia approach measurement and automation. Leveraging PCs and commercial technologies, virtual instrumentation increases productivity and lowers costs for test, control and design applications through easy-to-integrate software, such as NI LabVIEW, and modular measurement and control hardware for PXI, PXI Express, PCI, PCI Express, USB and Ethernet. Headquartered in Austin, Texas, NI has 4,000 employees and direct operations in nearly 40 countries. For the past seven years, FORTUNE magazine has named NI one of the 100 best companies to work for in America.

About Deaton Engineering

Deaton Engineering, Inc, is a full service mechanical, electrical, software control engineering and integration company based in Georgetown, Texas. Established in 1991, Deaton Engineering offers a wide variety of engineering solutions and consulting services to clients in technology and process industries. Composed of a diverse group of Texas licensed Professional Engineers, engineers, designers, and technical staff, Deaton Engineering provides services to support many fields of industry. More information on the company and its products can be found on their website at www.deatonengineering.com.