



Boston, MA – June 27, 2006 – Kepware Technologies announces their initiative to support OPC Unified Architecture (UA) through the development of a family of UA-enabled connectivity products aimed at providing unparalleled access to data throughout the enterprise. OPC UA leverages the best aspects of existing OPC technologies while also addressing key enhancements requests driven by user demand. OPC UA-enabled solutions will use web services as the underlying mechanism for sharing information between local and networked applications which will take industrial systems to a new level of interoperability.

With the release of the OPC UA specification Kepware intends to augment their leading OPC server suite with OPC UA technology allowing users to connect via COM or UA based OPC methods. “Providing a single OPC server that supports both COM and UA based OPC connectivity will help our customers make the transition to UA seamless. We take care of our customers and that will be our first priority as the adoption of UA continues”, says Kepware’s President, Mark Hensley.

In today’s automation market, companies desire instant access to data generated on the plant floor. To make their organizations more agile and competitive it is imperative that they use this data to maximize productivity and improve strategic planning. While OPC has dramatically improved plant floor connectivity it has not been able to easily bridge the data gap to the rest of the enterprise. Seeking to address these concerns, Kepware Technologies is developing a series of robust OPC UA solutions that will allow existing control systems to be augmented with OPC UA capabilities with little or no change to the control architecture. The UA backbone will enable seamless distribution of plant floor data to the rest of the enterprise. “Kepware has long been a key industrial connectivity provider to companies that are seeking to update and enhance existing control systems. Our genuine OPC UA solutions will make this process even easier. Managers in the board room will soon know why project engineers have standardized on Kepware’s range of connectivity products.”

About Kepware Technologies

Kepware specializes in OPC and device communication technologies for the industrial automation market. Kepware’s genuine OPC software products are known worldwide for quality, reliability, and ease of use – making Kepware the best choice for your industrial connectivity needs. Kepware’s responsiveness to customer needs and strong partnerships with other leading automation suppliers, insure that your next application will be a success. Ask around and you’ll hear why automation professionals everywhere consider Kepware Technologies, Automation’s Best Friend!

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