Mueller Systems' Magnetic Flow Meter Receives FM Approval

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CLEVELAND, N.C., Feb. 7, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Mueller Systems earned Factory Mutual (FM) Approval (Fire Service Meters Approvals Class 1044) for the HbMAG meter, its electromagnetic flow meter in 3-to-12" inch sizes. FM Approval is a global program providing third-party certification based on objectively testing property loss prevention products and services and certifying those that meet rigorous loss prevention standards. Mueller Systems is a leading provider of innovative water infrastructure products and services and technologically advanced metering systems for water, electric and gas systems.

Mueller Systems believes the HbMAG meter measures water flows more accurately than most mechanical meters—and it does so with virtually no reduction in line pressure, as it does not require a strainer or internal components that can become clogged and cause pressure loss. FM Approval is a result of its ability to withstand all pressure, flow and reliability requirements necessary for installation in applications requiring a high degree of measurement accuracy across a broad range of flows. Such applications include establishing district metering areas, which can help utilities reduce non-revenue water, and charging commercial fire suppression systems—even in the event of an emergency flow requirement.

"The HbMAG meter is one of Mueller Systems' innovative metering technologies that can help municipal water service providers efficiently optimize measuring capabilities while reducing operating expenses and improving water conservation," said Hassan Ali, Vice President and General Manager of Mueller Systems. "FM Approval endorses the meter's accurate and reliable measurement capabilities for fire protection systems as well as applications that can help utilities efficiently identify and reduce non-revenue water levels."

By integrating the HbMAG meter with Mueller Systems' 2-way advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) network—the Mi.Net® Mueller Infrastructure Network for Utilities—a utility can monitor and analyze the amounts of water going in and out of a district metering area. The level of discrepancy between the amounts of water can alert the utility to the extent of potential leaks in the area, helping it to better prioritize maintenance projects that will have the greatest impact in terms of reducing non-revenue water losses.

The HbMAG meter's accuracy and ability to improve operational efficiency for potable and reclaimed water systems makes it a viable replacement option for applications that previously utilized a compound or horizontal turbine meter and for use in applications where minimal pressure loss and a broad range of flow rates are vital.

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About Mueller Systems

Mueller Systems offers a full line of residential, fire line and commercial meters, AMR / AMI systems and related products. Mueller Systems provides Smart Metering solutions to optimize the delivery and use of water and energy. Municipalities that supply water, electricity or gas—or any combination of the three services—need innovative ways to increase efficiencies, reduce costs, conserve water and energy, and improve customer service. The Mi.Net® Mueller Infrastructure Network for Utilities from Mueller Systems meets that need. For more information about Mueller Systems, please visit the Company's website at www.muellersystems.com.

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