

Schilling Robotics Gains Industry-Veteran Ron Bernier for Houston Sales

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Schilling Robotics announced today that industry-veteran Ron Bernier has joined the company as sales manager for remote systems. He is based in Schilling Robotics' Houston office, where he will work closely with Jason Stanley, VP and regional manager for the Gulf of Mexico. The

Houston office offers support for project management, applications engineering, sales, spare parts, and service.

Mr. Bernier brings to Schilling more than 15 years of experience in the ROV industry, in positions at Sonsub Inc., Sonsub International, and Oceanering International. He has held such diverse positions as project manager, technician supervisor, operations manager, and ROV pilot technician. Most recently, he was project manager for the BP Americas ROV services accounts for the deepwater Holstein, Atlantis, Mad Dog, and Thunder Horse projects.

"Ron and Schilling are an excellent fit," says Jason Stanley. "His wide range of experience, from project manager for large subsea development projects to ROV operator, gives him a complete understanding of what the industry expects and demands from remotely operated equipment."

For his part, Mr. Bernier is glad to join the staff of a company that he admired as a customer. "From technical support solutions to technical training," says Bernier, "Schilling was always a company that I could count on."

He is also excited to join the company just as it is introducing its Digital Telemetry System™ (DTS™), which uses the latest gigabit Ethernet technology to handle serial, Ethernet, and video data (including HDTV). Says Bernier, "The DTS™ is one of the great features in the UHD™, our hydraulic ultraheavy-duty ROV, and provides a huge technology advantage over existing systems. The DTS™ can be used in a broad range of applications for subsea control and data acquisition, and I look forward to bringing this technology to our clients."



Ron Bernier, Schilling Robotics' sales manager for remote systems

About Schilling Robotics, LLC

Headquartered in Davis, California, with regional offices in Houston and Aberdeen, Schilling Robotics designs and delivers the world's highest-performing, basic building blocks for subsea equipment operating in the world's harshest environments. The company brings technology expertise and innovation in control, communication, and actuation (gained through 20 years of market leadership) to the challenges facing customers in subsea environments. This combination of expertise and experience has led to the development of a revolutionary modular component approach, the Remote Systems Engine™ (RSE), and to the design of subsea equipment that leverages commonalities across systems and applications to deliver highly reliable, easily integrated solutions.

Schilling Robotics has formed the Schilling Sub-Atlantic Alliance with Sub-Atlantic Ltd of Aberdeen, U.K. to pool the companies' resources for sales, service, product development, and marketing. The alliance benefits customers by providing a wide range of subsea vehicles, vehicle components, and control systems that can be purchased from a single source, and by strengthening worldwide support for alliance products.

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