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## **Coburn Technologies Introduces New *Cobalt<sup>LTE</sup>* Compact Free-Form Generator**

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT – Coburn Technologies, a leader in providing innovative, end-to-end customer solutions to the world's ophthalmic lens processing industries, introduces a new model of its latest lens generator ideally suited for small and mid-sized laboratories to produce digital and traditional RX lenses.

Coburn's latest free-form generator, the Cobalt<sup>LTE</sup> delivers wet cut quality results without the need for a water management system, and only requires approximately 20 sq/ft of lab space- inclusive of all ancillary equipment. The generator features Coburn's proven mist-cut generating technology as well as air bearing, voice coil, and direct drive technology to increase cutting accuracy and lens through-put.

Unlike the Coburn's previous compact generators, the equally compact Cobalt<sup>LTE</sup> will work with the Cobalt DP polisher, other qualified soft-tool polishers, and Coburn's LaunchPad™ polishing technology, which allows operators to polish free-form lenses on a conventional cylinder machine.

Key features of the new generator include:

- Processes traditional & digital free-form lenses
- "Cold-Mist" System which provides wet-cut generating comparable results with superior surface finish without the need for a water management system
- Smaller footprint, requiring only approximately 20 sq/ft of lab space including its external vacuum
- Direct drive spindle for improved control
- Coburn's patented and globally licensed single-point diamond turning lathe technology
- Precision air bearings and voice coil actuation for increased cutting accuracy
- Expandable product platform from conventional processing only (Cobalt<sup>LT</sup>) upgradable to free-form (Cobalt<sup>LTE</sup>) for a lower cost solution that grows with the customers' business
- Engineered and Manufactured in USA

Alex Incera, president of Coburn Technologies stated; "We are very excited to announce that we have successfully adapted our popular mist-cut technology from our larger industrial Cobalt system into a platform that ideal for small to medium-sized labs looking to be able to offer digital free-form designs in-house. Now these smaller labs can benefit from the same high quality surface finish while utilizing the same space currently available in their location."

Coburn Technologies has successfully completed field testing, and has begun demonstrations of the new system at its corporate headquarters in CT, USA. Coburn is currently taking orders for the new system and customer shipments will begin in March. The system will be formally released at Vision

Expo East in NYC, March 28-30, 2014. Information is available from Coburn at 1-800-COBURN-1, or contact your Coburn sales representative for details.

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**About Coburn Technologies**

Coburn Technologies formerly Gerber Coburn (<http://www.coburntechnologies.com>) is a new company continuing a 60 year tradition as a leading provider of integrated optical lens processing systems. Coburn manufactures and services a complete series of equipment, software and supplies used in surfacing prescriptions in lens blanks, coating lenses, and machining lenses to fit patient frames as well as distribution of refractory and patient diagnostic equipment. Coburn Technologies is American owned and globally headquartered in South Windsor, Connecticut USA.

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