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Profile Data: Scott Nagro is a regional manager for HydraForce, Inc. He is a member of the IFPS Board of Directors.

Q: When and where did your career in the fluid power industry start?

A: My career in fluid power goes back to a job at a tier 1 automotive supplier, where I maintained an automated assembly line. It was a challenging role in that hydraulics, pneumatics, and electronics were all used in concert to enable the line workers to produce high-quality products with minimal physical effort in a safe environment. This hands-on experience drove my interest to pursue further knowledge of these systems, and after college I joined Vickers, Inc. as a sales engineer.

Q: What is the most memorable moment in your fluid power career? What did it teach you?

A: One of the proudest moments came after passing the IFPS exam and then being able to display the IFPS logo on my business card.

Q: What do you feel is the most important achievement in the fluid power industry?

A: The most important achievements are still to come, as fluid power adapts to the changing demands of global applications that include providing water, food, and energy to an ever-increasing population.

Q: How and why did you get involved in the IFPS?

A: My initial involvement was as a Fluid Power Specialist certification and member, and I currently serve at-large on its board of directors.

Q: Why do you feel the IFPS is important? Why would you encourage industry professionals to join the IFPS?

A: IFPS membership and the broad offering of certifications provide access to a growing network of professionals and industry knowledge that can be a competitive advantage for individuals and employers. Belonging to the society that is dedicated to advancing the technology and professionalism of the market you work in everyday just makes sense.

Q: What have you personally gained by being a part of IFPS? How has it helped your career?

A: IFPS enables a continuous education in fluid power, which has been a terrific component of my membership. Further, it supports professional relationships that are invaluable over the course of a career.

Q: Where do you see the fluid power industry heading in the next 10 years?

A: Over time, innovation will further increase fluid power's ease-of-use and integration with electrical, mechanical, and fluid technologies.

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