

Press Release

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NEW GENERATION OF STRIPPER SPRINGS AVAILABLE

Brecksville, Ohio—Hyson Products introduces the next generation of nitrogen gas stripper springs, the T2SS2 Series, now available in 16 mm and 24 mm diameters and with a special model that conforms to the GM 90.80.45 Global Die Standard.

Hyson Products is a division of Associated Spring, a business unit of Barnes Group Inc. (NYSE:B)

The new T2SS2-16 is 100 per cent interchangeable with the original but is 15 mm shorter in overall height. A 10 mm internal hex replaces the milled torque slots, providing a more positive grip and simplifying installation. In addition, the T2SS2 Series features a new thread locking element to reduce the probability of the cylinders backing out. It is available in stroke lengths to 125 mm and in a special model for GM, including the T2SS2-16X15-GM that conforms to GM 90.80.45 Global Die Standard. Special installation tools are available for all models.

The T2SS2 Series, like its predecessor, is an ideal replacement for 5/8 in. and 1 in. diameter coil springs. The T2SS2 gas spring has a shorter overall height, uses 100 per cent of stroke and provides full rated force on contact so there is no need to preload.

Hyson Products designs and manufactures Nitro-Dyne® XP manifold systems and accessories, high performance and standard nitrogen gas springs, the Dyne-A-Cam® Series of cams, and the DRAC® Series of delayed return manifolds in an ISO 9001:2000 certified facility.

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