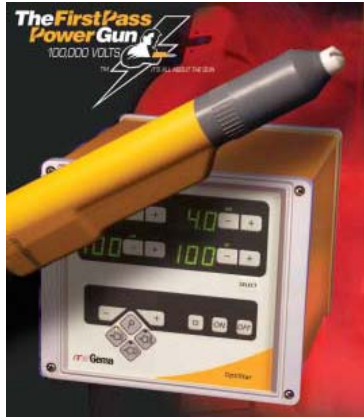


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## Intelligence, Integration and Automation - The Revolutionary OPTIFLEX™ From ITW Gema®



*Indianapolis, Ind., May 2007* — The most advanced grouping of powder coating equipment is now available from ITW Gema®. The **OptiFlex™** is designed to deliver optimal results every time and features the **OptiStar™** control unit, the **OptiFlow™** pump and the **OptiGun®** automatic powder gun.

Each **OptiStar** control unit is able to store up to 250 coating programs that can be selected for different powder types, part styles, and/or line speeds. This produces the unique repeatability required to achieve better process control, which takes the guesswork out of the application.

- The **OptiFlow** pump ensures uniform powder delivery for every application.
- Keyed quick disconnects ensure fast removal, reliable fit and easy maintenance.
- Check valves prevent powder migration into the control unit and, with only one major wear item, operational costs remain low.

The **OptiGun** automatic powder gun features ITW Gema's integrated cascade power supply, which provides maximum charging at the tip of the gun. Its contoured and sealed body design prevents powder from collecting and entering the internal gun cavity. This eliminates potential voltage and color-change contamination problems.

Being compatible with all nozzles and extensions for the **OptiSelect™** manual powder guns, the **OptiGun** is easy to integrate into an existing powder system and simplifies replacement of wear parts.

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