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SKF offers new lubrication monitor

SKF announced the introduction of the GSM* Lubrication Monitor for use with its automatic lubrication systems. Developed to avoid damage caused by improper lubrication, the device monitors system pumps that are not connected to control centers and notifies maintenance personnel of an empty reservoir or another lubrication issue by sending an SMS message to one or more cell phones.

Requiring only the device and a cell phone, the GSM lubrication monitor is a cost-effective solution for monitoring lubrication pumps in difficult-to-access locations. The lubrication monitor features a pre-configured, plug-and-play design and is easy to install. It is set up using free PC software via a serial port or by cell phone using SMS commands.

The low-maintenance GSM lubrication monitor operates continuously and can be set to automatically provide a status report on a predetermined schedule. Up to 10 phone numbers can be synchronized with the lubrication monitor and can send various SMS commands. Alarm and recovery messages are time stamped for convenience.

An optional temperature sensor and internal battery are available for use with the GSM Lubrication Monitor. Also, this reliable device can be retrofitted to upgrade existing systems.

*GSM = Global System for Mobile Communications

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