

Industrial Supply

THE VOICE OF DISTRIBUTION



**Business strategy
for industrial
distributors**

2024 MEDIA KIT

» THE INDUSTRY'S TRUSTED RESOURCE

IndustrialSupply

WE KNOW THE BUSINESS

Industrial Supply's veteran staff has been serving the industrial supply channel and building relationships and mutual trust for two decades. Distributors, reps and manufacturers know they can count on us for information that can have immediate impact in their businesses in these ever-changing times.

Our writers — with longstanding relationships with ISA, NAHAD, PTDA, STAFDA, industry buying and marketing groups, and consultants — provide the most timely, relevant, and valuable information in the channel for our readers.

WE KNOW THE PLAYERS

Industrial Supply and its sister magazine, **Contractor Supply**, have the supply channel covered. Whether your products and services are destined to end up in products or in the plants that manufacture them, our magazines and digital products will get you in the door and into decision-makers' hands.

- **Industrial Supply** serves 26,400-plus industrial distributors and independent manufacturer reps in the United States
- **Contractor Supply** reaches 21,000-plus construction equipment, tool and supply distributors, manufacturers and rep agencies

Need to reach both markets? Combine them and earn volume discounts.

WE OWN THE RELATIONSHIPS

We publish the member directory for the **Specialty Tools & Fasteners Distributors Association (STAFDA)**.

Our longstanding relationship with this leading distributor association demonstrates STAFDA's trust in our ability to produce products to the highest standards of quality and integrity. You can trust us to do the same for you.

No other media group in our industry can match this claim.





ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTES

Kim Phelan, Patricia Wolf, Chris McClimon and Tom Hammel have many decades of combined experience serving the construction and industrial supply markets.

- We are the industry's most recognized and respected professionals.
- Our contributing writers, consultants, and advertisers are the best of the best.
- Industry professionals rely on us for honest, focused content they can use to build sales, profitability, and competitive advantage in their local markets.
- As an advertiser, your message in **Industrial Supply** or **Contractor Supply** gives you the prestige and credibility of appearing in the most trusted and respected magazines in the industry, bar none. Whether your company is 1, 10 or 100 years old, our deep industry experience will work for you in ways no other publishers can approach.

ADD IT UP

When you add it all up — the industry respect, reputation, caliber of staff, market coverage, our print and online media platforms and, finally, the support and endorsements of the most powerful associations in our industry — your choice is clear.

Make **Industrial Supply** and **Contractor Supply** magazines your media of choice and distributors will make you their supplier of choice.

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Our circulation is second to none:

Industrial Supply reaches 29,000-plus distributors of MRO supplies, hand and power tools, cutting tools and abrasives, power transmission/motion control, safety products, hose & accessories, fluid power and more.

» REACH

The most powerful groups in the industry trust us to produce their directories. Your advertising message in **Industrial Supply** aligns you with that power and your company gains prestige and credibility in the market.

» INFLUENCE

Distributors buy from companies they know and trust. Advertising signals your stability to buyers and helps you and your distributor partners gain market share. When they buy, they will buy from you.

» SELL

» FOCUSED FEATURES

Content is king! — Our cover stories profile how distribution decision-makers deal with critical business issues facing all distributors today. **Industrial Supply** stories examine issues such as:

- Adopting and embracing new technologies
- Effective use of marketing/buying groups
- Designing a more productive warehouse
- Structuring M&A deals and family business succession
- Strategies for building secure supply chains
- Expanding into new markets and product categories

And more.

DIGITAL EDITION

We produce a digital edition to complement all six print editions of the magazine. That means – at no extra cost – you get additional exposure for your print ads whenever readers access the digital edition online.



CORPORATE PROFILES

Our July/August **Corporate Profiles issue** gives every full-page advertiser a **FREE** bonus page to deliver the message of its choosing in a clean, crisp format. Buy one full-page ad at your regular earned rate and then supply us with a profile of your company, its products and services, and customer benefits. Contact your ad sales representative for details.

TOP 20 DISTRIBUTOR LIST

In conjunction with Modern Distribution Management, we feature the nation's top industrial distributors in our annual **Top 20 Distributor List** in **Industrial Supply's** Sept./Oct. issue. It's a must-read issue for distribution executives.

NEW PRODUCT EXPOSURE

Product news — Customers always look for new products that can help their businesses cut costs or improve processes. That's why every issue of **Industrial Supply** features the latest new products from advertisers.

Readers count on us to keep them informed about the new products they can show their customers.

IS PRODUCT ROUNDUP

As a compliment to our monthly **IS Product Roundup** emails, **Industrial Supply** offers you an opportunity to promote your company in the print edition of the magazine. It's ideal for promoting:

- White paper
- Research
- Catalogs
- Promotional literature

Plus, **Industrial Supply** offers opportunities for you to submit Advertorial material that explains to distributors the benefits of doing business with your company. Contact us to discuss details.

MARKETING OPTIONS

Direct Business Media LLC offers a variety of value-added marketing options to enhance the impact of your primary marketing programs: bound and ride-along inserts, false covers and belly bands, advertorials, sponsored webinars, copywriting, graphic design, digital surveys, direct mail, email blast creation and execution, and list management — to name just a few.

Whatever you can dream up, we can make happen. Plus, our market breadth means that whether you want to reach industrial and construction distributors or rep agencies, we've got you covered.

» 2024 EDITORIAL CALENDAR

Industrial Supply brings you the credibility of a nationally-respected sales and editorial team and the prestige of a new, exciting, and fresh approach to trade publishing and e-newsletters. We deliver your product and service messages straight into the hands of distributor buyers, sales managers, executives, as well as their inside and outside sales pros who serve the all-important industrial/MRO market.



ISSUE	SPECIAL FEATURE	DISTRIBUTION SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIER ROUND TABLE	TRAINING TIPS	MARKET OUTLOOK	NEW PRODUCTS	SHOWS/ EVENTS
Jan/Feb 2024 Ad Close 1/2 Materials 1/4	Industry Forecast – with association execs, economists	Warehouse Management Systems	Industrial Lubricants	Abrasives/Brushes	Safety Wearables/PPE	Gloves/Hand Protection Power Tools	
March/April 2024 Ad Close 2/9 Materials 2/19	Sales Training – tips & resources for distributors	Virtual Reality Workforce Tools	Power Transmission & Motion Control	Hose & Accessories/ Fluid Power	Industrial Cleaners	Portable/Handheld Devices (e.g. scanners, meters, monitors, tablets, communication)	ISA April 15-17 NAHAD April 27-30
May/June 2024 Ad Close 4/3 Materials 4/11	Sustainability/CO2 Reduction – strategies, case studies & resources	Industrial Vending/ Storage Solutions	E-commerce	Robotics/AMRs/AGVs	Cutting Tools	Chemicals/Lubricants Tapes/Adhesives	
July/Aug 2024 Ad Close 5/31 Materials 6/10	Made in the USA products	Shipping Software/ Technologies	Flashlights/ Headlamps	ERPs	Welding Tools	Material Handling Equipment	
Sept/Oct 2024 Ad Close 8/7 Materials 8/15	Top 20 Distributors Bonus: Buyers groups' award winners	Warehouse Security	Hoists & Lifts	Hand Tools	Hose Industrial MRO	Fire Prevention/ Containment Products Fans & Temperature Control	Bonus Distribution: STAFDA Nov. 9-11
Nov/Dec 2024 Ad Close 10/2 Materials 10/10	Marketing Tools – how to manage co-op dollars	CRMs	Abrasives/Grinding Tools	Supply Chain Management Systems	Fasteners	Field Service Equipment	

» CORPORATE PROFILES

**FREE
bonus
page**

PRESENT YOUR BUSINESS TO OUR READERS IN A FEATURE FORMAT

Our Annual July/August Corporate Profiles issue gives every full-page advertiser a **FREE bonus page** to deliver the message of its choosing in a clean, crisp format.

THAT'S RIGHT. A FREE PAGE!

Just buy one full-page ad at your regular earned rate and then supply us with a profile of your company, its products and services, and customer benefits.

In order to take advantage of the opportunity to run a FREE profile, you need to simply supply a press-optimized PDF with all graphics and fonts embedded (postscript fonts only). No RGB images should be used. We will accept two single full pages or a two-page spread. Follow our standard ad specs when creating your profile. (Note: please see the Design Recommendations section of our specs for additional two-page spread rules).

Typically, companies taking advantage of this very special offer include in their free profile page a company profile, a company logo, photos, a headline, and company contact information.

At our discretion we will add a page header, "Advertisement," to distinguish your profile from the rest of the magazine's editorial.

ADVERTISEMENT

Your headline here

PHOTO

LOGO

DEADLINES

Insertion orders for both your full-page ad and your Corporate Profile must arrive by **May 31, 2024** to your Direct Business Media sales representative.

Corporate Profile **materials and ad** must arrive by **June 10, 2024**.

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Lubriplate
 Lubriplate's Complimentary ESP Extra Services Package helps maximize your lubrication maintenance program.
 Complimentary Value Added Services Offered Include...

ADVANCED 100% SYNTHETIC GEAR OILS
 FROM A COMPANY ADVANCING LUBRICATION FOR 150 YEARS

We Help Our Members Grow
 Industrial distributors are facing unprecedented demand for products and services. NetPlus Alliance is a leading provider of products and services to help industrial distributors compete and thrive in this environment.

FIVE GENERATIONS OF INDUSTRIAL LEADERSHIP
 NetPlus Alliance is a family business that started as a hardware store in 1924. Over the years, it has grown into a leading provider of products and services to help industrial distributors compete and thrive in this environment.

ARE YOU SERIOUS ABOUT GROWTH?

INCREASE NET MARGINS
 Increase your profitability up to 20% with our competitive pricing programs.

ACCESS MORE SUPPLIERS
 Get access to hundreds of distributors and suppliers in dozens of markets with our exclusive programs.

IMPROVE ENGAGEMENT
 Increase your customer engagement through our training, support, and consulting services.

NetPlus ALLIANCE

382 DISTRIBUTORS **162 PRODUCTS** **37 COUNTRIES**

Learn more at netplusalliance.com Call us today 714-438-3074

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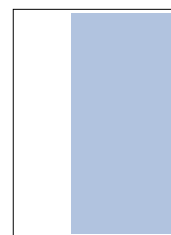


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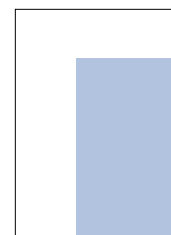
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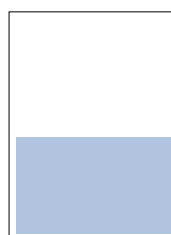
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Bleed: 8.625" x 11.125"



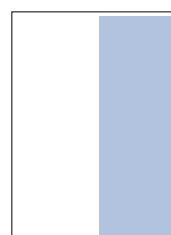
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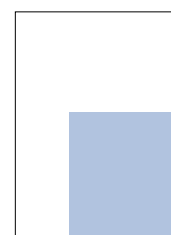
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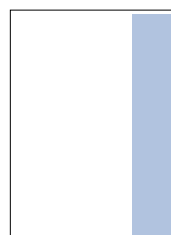
1/2 Page Horiz.
7" x 4.875"



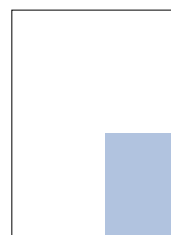
1/2 Page Vert.
3.375" x 10"



1/3 Page Sq.
4.5625" x 4.875"



1/3 Page Vert.
2.1875" x 10"



1/4 Page
3.375" x 4.875"

Two Page Spread
Trim: 16.75" x 10.875"
Bleed: 17" x 11.125"

1/6 Page Vert.
2.1875" x 4.875"

AD RATES

FREQUENCY	1X	3X	6X
Spread	\$10,220	\$9,295	\$8,775
FP	\$7,720	\$7,020	\$6,630
2/3	\$5,765	\$5,245	\$4,945
1/2	\$4,825	\$4,390	\$4,140
1/3	\$3,530	\$3,210	\$3,030
1/4	\$2,790	\$2,540	\$2,390
1/6	\$1,985	\$1,810	\$1,710

» MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

A. SWOP STANDARDS APPLY

(Specifications for Web Offset Publications)

B. PREFERRED MATERIALS

Digital file complete with layout, fonts and supporting graphics files in a hi-res PDF format.

C. PDF FILES

PDF files are encouraged and should be created with the following specifications.

1. All fonts should be embedded.
2. No RGB or lab images should be used; make sure all images are 300 dpi CMYK.
3. **Density of tones 300% or less.** Densities higher have potential of blistering on press causing additional charges for down-time.
4. A rich black color should be used to avoid a washed-out appearance whenever large lettering, graphics, boxes or backgrounds are to print as black (*small text should remain 100% black to avoid registration issues on press*). **A rich black should also be used if the color overlaps any other graphic element to avoid ghosting of the overlap.** Use values of 40C/40M/30Y/100K to create a rich black.
5. **Full page ads must be provided with 1/8" (0.125") bleeds on all 4 sides.** Bleed size is 8.625" x 11.125" and the ad will be trimmed to 8.375" x 10.875".
6. Zip compression with down sampling set no less than 300 dpi.
7. Color management set to "none."
8. The "press" preset in the standard Acrobat will usually create an acceptable PDF for both Macintosh or PC.
9. After creating a PDF, **view the file with "Overprint Preview" to verify actual output.**

D. NATIVE FILES

1. Macintosh and Windows-based files are usable. **High resolution files placed by the customer must have all color corrections/alterations done prior to releasing the digital file to Direct Business Media LLC.**
2. All images need to be saved in CMYK mode. EPS or TIFF files are preferred. Do not compress images using JPEG or LZW.
3. Provide all supports related to the digital file (i.e., entire font families, hi-res images and logos). Any third party extension (i.e., Pasteboard) must accompany digital files. We cannot accept native Corel, Microsoft Publisher or PowerPoint files. These programs are not compatible with high-resolution output equipment. If you create files using one of these programs, please recreate in a program listed above, convert the file to a print-ready PDF.

E. DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Spread copy should be laid out to avoid reading matter or any important part of an illustration running into the gutter. Please do not break type on gutter.
2. In preparing copy, restrict thin lines and small lettering to one color. Reproduce all reverse lettering with a minimum of colors. Avoid small letters with fine serifs when using reverse lettering.

DIGITAL PRINT AD FILES

Adobe Acrobat PDF (high-resolution), InDesignCC*, Adobe Illustrator CC*, Adobe Photoshop CC*

*or earlier versions

MEDIA STORAGE | TRANSPORT

Send your high-resolution PDF in one of the following ways:

- Upload your file to the web-based FTP (www.hightail.com) using the following address:
<https://spaces.hightail.com/uplink/DirectBusinessMedia>
- Email peghuckabee@directbusinessmedia.com

PRODUCTION CONTACT

MATERIALS

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When emailing photos, graphics or page layout files, please send them as source (not text) files. Any files containing graphics should be saved as a stuffed, self-extracting file that is bin-hex encoded.

TERMS

Payment: net 30 days. Agencies and advertisers are jointly and severally liable. Discount of 15% applies for agency work if paid within 30 days. The publisher reserves the right to reject any advertising deemed inappropriate for the publication's standards.

» DIGITAL ADVERTISING OPTIONS

Our **website design** increases your company's visibility whether visitors are viewing the site from their computer, their phone or a tablet. Choose from more ad options including the new Super Banner, Top Banner, Content Banner and Button ads. **IndustrialSupplyMagazine.com**, our weekly email newsletter, **IS Weekly**, and our monthly **IS Video Roundup** and **IS Product News Roundup**, should be key components of your media strategy. We also provide custom email opportunities.

ONLINE ADVERTISING HELPS YOU:

- Increase traffic to your own website
- Enforce and promote your brand
- Complement your print advertising campaign
- Amplify your market penetration
- Blanket the industry with coverage

Executive decision makers in the industrial distribution industry come back often to **IndustrialSupplyMagazine.com** for breaking industry news, analysis, articles on distribution management, sales, motivational tips, important industry links and more.

Subscribers to **IS Weekly** rely on us to keep them up to date on what's happening in their industry, with news about company earnings, acquisitions, executive appointments and other important events. Newsletter button ads appear in the body of the newsletter itself. Click-thru ads appear on the pages of the stories included in the newsletter.

SPECIFICATIONS

File type: animated or static .JPG or .GIF

EXCEPTION: Animated ads may not work in some **email systems**, such as Outlook. **Please submit only static ads for custom emails (e-blasts) and IS Weekly.**

Resolution: 72 dpi

File size: Maximum size allowed 800 KB (the smaller the file size, the faster the ad will load)

Link: Please provide the URL where visitors will be redirected after they click on your ad

Flash: Flash is no longer recommended because major browsers are ending support of that technology. Instead, we accept animated GIF files as well as HTML5 content and animations.

PRODUCTION CONTACT MATERIALS

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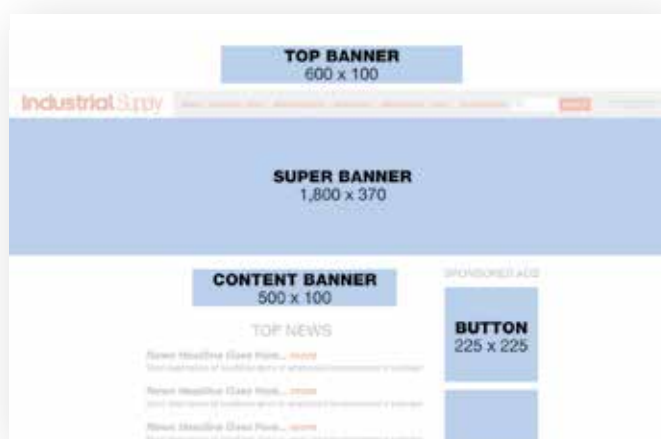
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INDUSTRIALSUPPLYMAGAZINE.COM

Super banner ad*	1,800 x 370 pixels	\$3,025/month
Homepage overlay	900 x 600 pixels	\$2,415/month
Top banner ad	600 x 100 pixels	\$935/month
Content banner ad	500 x 100 pixels	\$665/month
Button ad	225 x 225 pixels	\$415/month

*Super banner ads limited to two per month in rotation



» DIGITAL ADVERTISING OPTIONS

IS WEEKLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Top banner ad	600 x 100 pixels	\$805/issue
Content banner ad	500 x 100 pixels	\$665/issue
Newsletter button	225 x 225 pixels	\$535/issue



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IS PRODUCT NEWS ROUNDUP EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Top banner ad	600 x 100 pixels	\$700/issue
Content banner ad	500 x 100 pixels	\$639/issue
Button ad	225 x 225 pixels	\$520/issue
Featured content (Product, Catalog, etc.)		\$700/issue

The **IS Product News Roundup** is a monthly email newsletter to help you promote your company. Sponsor the **IS Product News Roundup** to promote your:

- New products
- e-books, White Papers
- Catalogs
- Promotional literature

Click-thru links allow recipients to immediately download your product sheets, catalog, white paper, e-books or other material. Leads/contact information are shared with sponsors.



DEPLOYMENT DATES:

Jan. 10	July 17
Feb. 14	Aug. 14
March 13	Sep. 11
April 10	Oct. 16
May 15	Nov. 13
June 12	Dec. 11

IS VIDEO ROUNDUP EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Top banner ad	600 x 100 pixels	\$830/issue
Content banner ad	500 x 100 pixels	\$660/issue
Button ad	225 x 225 pixels	\$535/issue
Featured video placements		\$855/issue

Our monthly **IS Video Roundup** is a great way to generate more clicks for your videos. Each **Featured Video** includes a screen shot from your video, a brief description and a link to the video on your YouTube page or website.

- Videos increase people's understanding of your product or service
- 90% of users say that seeing a video about a product is helpful in the decision process*
- 75% of executives watch work-related videos on business websites at least once a week*
- Click-thru links provide immediate feedback and results
- Leads/contact information shared with advertisers



*Source: Digital Sherpa

INTRODUCING: THE HOT SEAT

Got something new for industrial distributors? Our editor will talk about it with your expert . . . on video!

Industrial Supply has launched a new offering that could be the perfect way to help you unveil a new product, introduce a new service, or position your company as a trustworthy subject-matter authority.

Step up to the mic and make your point in a friendly, conversational dialog we call, **"THE HOT SEAT."** It's a fast-paced, one-on-one video interview with our editor, Kim Phelan, and your spokesperson.

Short and sweet, personable, and relevant, **THE HOT SEAT** gets your message on the radar of the 26,400+ distribution decision-makers who subscribe to IS.

Contact your ad sales rep for details on leveraging **THE HOT SEAT** to your advantage.



» E-BLAST SPONSORSHIPS

CUSTOM EMAIL BLASTS

Third party/custom e-blasts

\$3,165/time

Looking for a way to get your message directly to distributor executives and salespeople? We can send your custom-designed message to our readers at a cost-effective price.

- Reinforce your brand message
- Introduce new products
- Click-thru links provide immediate feedback and results



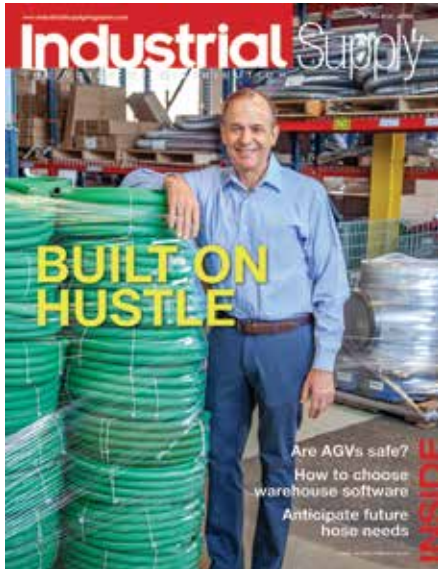
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY TARGET REPORT: A TARGETED LOOK AT A SELECTED TOPIC

Certain key topics in the industrial supply channel require a deeper look. If you have a white paper, customer testimonials, a series of articles that you want to promote to the industry, or some other pertinent information, our content-specific e-newsletter called the "IS Target Report," may be just the right vehicle.

As a sole sponsor, you can either populate all four ad positions with your marketing message or simply choose to include a single banner at the top of the industry-focused content.



FAMILY OF PUBLICATIONS INCLUDES



ABOUT DIRECT BUSINESS MEDIA LLC

Direct Business Media, LLC is a specialty niche media services provider covering the industrial and construction markets. DBM publishes **Industrial Supply** magazine, **Contractor Supply** magazine, and the **Specialty Tool and Fasteners Distributors Association (STAFDA) Member Directory**.

DBM is staffed and managed by its owners. We are dedicated to providing our customers with the highest levels of service, professionalism, and integrity in the industry.