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**Re: Product Life Cycle Status of the GCX Gas Chromatograph**

Originally moved to “Inactive” in October 2005, the GCX gas chromatograph has now been moved to “Obsolete” status, per the Rosemount Analytical Product Life Cycle Policy.

With the release of the 700XA and 1500XA gas chromatographs, as well as the continuing availability of the Model 500 and Model 700 gas chromatographs, the vast majority of existing applications performed with a GCX can be implemented by one or all of the “Active” gas chromatographs offered by Rosemount Analytical.

Our customers have been migrating their GCX process gas chromatographs to the latest Rosemount Analytical gas chromatographs for more than five years. Today, we are experiencing a lack of supplier support for fluistors, as well as ever-escalating prices for spare electronics. Continued investment in GCX gas chromatographs is not in the best interest of our customers.

Recently released gas chromatographs like the 700XA perform in the same challenging environments that the GCX could, but are much easier to maintain and service, while offering more performance information due to its compatibility with MON 2020 work station software.

For those that will require the replacement unit on their site before the end of 2011, owners of a GCX should immediately obtain replacement quotes from the factories.

Efforts will be made to obtain parts other than the fluistors through December 31, 2011, but our recommendation for GCX owners is a replacement gas chromatograph. After December 31, 2011 no effort will be made to obtain replacement parts and service support will no longer be available.

We will continue to offer a trade-in discount to GCX users, applicable to any gas chromatograph offered by Rosemount Analytical. Please contact the factory for additional details.

Sincerely,

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