



## Mike Madigan of Emerson to share eKanban best practices at Industry Week's 2011 Best Plants Conference

**Cupertino, CA, March 2, 2011** – Mike Madigan, eKanban service delivery manager for Emerson has been selected to speak in the Supply Chain Strategies program track at Industry Week's 2011 Best Plants Conference. The presentation describes the eKanban (electronic kanban) rollout at Emerson, highlighting the challenges and lessons learned along the way. Emerson has had much success with eKanban in many different types of businesses. Vital to the success has been the deployment of a centrally hosted solution, Ultriva's Collaborative Supply Portal which can be quickly and consistently expanded as additional businesses implement eKanban.

Mr. Madigan is responsible for implementing eKanban in support of Emerson's manufacturing goals. His previous roles in Emerson include plant manager, director of lean manufacturing and flow program manager. These roles have provided him with extensive 'hands-on' experience implementing lean, relocating factories/production lines and using lean techniques to turn around a business.

"We are pleased that our customers continue to be asked to highlight their best in class capabilities", said Narayan Laksham, CEO of Ultriva. Emerson continues to lead their industry in leveraging technology to provide greater customer service, quality and overall value for its customers".

Ultriva will also be demonstrating their new release, version 7.0 of our Collaborative Supply Portal and our Lean Factory Management Suite. Demonstrations will be delivered at our exhibit booth # 210 in the Exhibition Hall.

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