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## *News Release*

**“For Immediate Release”**

### **Case Systems, Inc. acquires BOSTONtec, Inc.**

**Midland, Michigan – June 1, 2004** - Case Systems, Inc. announces their purchase and relocation of their new venture...BOSTONtec, Inc.

Case Systems, a Midland based manufacturer of furniture and commercial plastic laminate cabinetry for schools, colleges, universities, laboratories and healthcare facilities, has restructured their existing 167,600 square foot facility to accommodate the combined manufacturing processes of both BOSTONtec, Inc. and Case Systems, Inc.

BOSTONtec, Inc. formerly located in Wilmington, MA and a former supplier to Case Systems, Inc. utilizes advanced manufacturing technologies such as computer controlled laser cutting, robotic welding and environmentally safe powder coated finishes to produce high quality furniture for industrial, technical and other commercial applications.

BOSTONtec, Inc. became an integral part of the Case Systems E-Lab® product offering in 2001 when Case Systems was selected to provide overhead distribution services and E-Lift® lab benches to Bayer Corporations High Technology Center; which later earned *R&D Magazine's Renovated Laboratory of the Year Award in 2002*.

Unique in the industry, BOSTONtec, Inc. products are designed and efficiently manufactured to simplify production and minimize inventory. The resulting customer benefits are affordability and functionality, with an added advantage of short lead times. For the laboratory market, BOSTONtec, Inc. offers easily adaptable workstations that further advance productivity within a constantly changing environment.

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As part of the acquisition, a business plan was developed to move the manufacturing facility from Wilmington, MA to Midland, MI with the primary goal of having BOSTONtec, Inc. fully operational within 90-days, while continuing to meet customer requirements. With goals realized, we are pleased to introduce the newly combined, fully functional, Midland operations of Case Systems, Inc. and BOSTONtec, Inc.

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