



The PSS Edge

A newsletter for customers and friends of Plastic Safety Systems

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LIFEGARD™
"The Original Sandless Drum"
U.S. Patent No. 5,234,280 &
Canadian Patent No. 2,083,918

On March 20, 2002, Plastic Safety Systems, Inc. (PSS) announced that it obtained a number of favorable judgments from the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio in its suit against Traffix Devices for infringement of Plastic Safety Systems' LIFEGARD® U.S. Patent No. 5,234,280.

Most importantly, the court found that ballasting a Traffix' Series 18,000 drum with a tire ring infringes Plastic Safety Systems'

PSS receives favorable decisions in lawsuit

patent, and that Traffix induced customers to infringe the patent in this manner.

"We are, needless to say, very pleased with the court's findings and will continue to aggressively protect our intellectual property rights," said Dave Cowan, Plastic Safety Systems Inc. President and CEO.

For a copy of the PSS news release, visit our website at www.plasticsafety.com.



Redefining the standard in channelizer drums...again!

Plastic Safety Systems, Inc. (PSS) has taken the lead on a new generation of channelizers with the introduction of the **Lifeguard II**, NCHRP-350 certified (FHWA Acceptance #WZ-54).



More than 20 years of R&D are reflected in the design and manufacturing of the Lifeguard II. The unique features of this innovative new channelizer include:

- ✓ Two (2) ballasting methods available, utilizing an internal snap-on molded rubber base, or the PSS patented external tire collar.
- ✓ Innovative design that allows users to attach and remove internal base with ease, yet reduces premature separation.
- ✓ Incorporates the same patented break-away system as original Lifeguard. (US Patent No. 5,234,280)
- ✓ Designed with a flat section, which serves as an anti-roll feature when separation occurs from impact.
- ✓ Features that protect your investment--An intermittent stacking rim helps protect sheeting bands while increasing drum durability.

The winter cycle of NTPEP testing has been completed with excellent results. For test data or for more information on the Lifeguard II, call (800) 662-6338.

Welcome to the Edge...

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Product Spotlight

Transform your old channelizer drums into barricades that get the job done with LifeVest



LifeVest™ (at left) is designed to transform your old channelizer drums into a highly effective type I or II directional barricade that meets the MUTCD standard. LifeVest fits virtually every round barrel on the market today and is made of crash-worthy, high-density polyethylene.

The barricade panel section can be easily removed to maintain drums original stacking characteristics for ease of transportation.

This cost-effective alternative to other barricade systems includes these features:

- ✓ High stability
- ✓ Drum still accepts type A or C lights
- ✓ Two panels can be mounted on a single LifeVest for use as a bi-directional barricade.

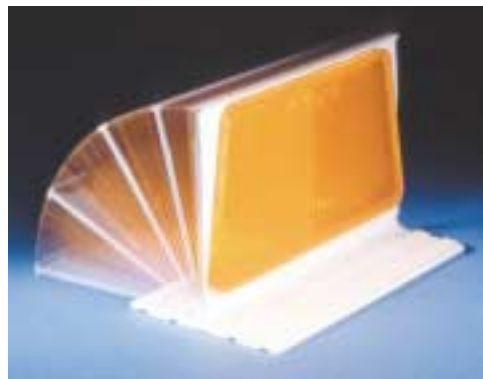
For more information, call PSS at (800) 662-6338.

BAM Delineator's hinge design allows for 90 degrees of flex

The **BAM™ Highway Delineator**, new from PSS, is constructed of a high grade, UV-stabilized plastic that utilizes a unique, patent-pending hinge design for maximum flex when impacted.

This hinge allows the BAM delineators to give without breaking, greatly reducing the need for replacement and ensuring a safer environment for motorists and workers. In addition, the BAM delineator is designed for ease of installation—it can be glued or butyl padded to a barrier surface.

The **BAM Delineator** is constructed with the following features:



- ✓ Acrylic reflective lens or reflective sheeting. Sheetting provides up to 11.5 square inches of reflectivity; reflector provides 8.9 square inches of reflective area.
- ✓ Four dovetail grooves on base for greater surface adhesion.
- ✓ Available in standard colors—amber, red, clear and blue.
- ✓ The option of reflectivity on both sides of the marker, as well as in two different colors.

Scenes from Traffic Expo

Plastic Safety Systems Inc. participated in the annual Traffic Expo 2002 sponsored by the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA). Traffic Expo attracted the industry's decision-makers to Dallas, Texas in February for four days of meetings, education, and exhibits.



For information or quotes on products seen at Traffic Expo, call PSS at (800) 662-6338.

PSS President David Cowan, company sales and marketing representatives met with existing and future customers.



Congressman Petri visits PSS booth



Above, Congressman Thomas Petri (R-6th) from Wisconsin tours the Plastic Safety Systems, Inc. booth at Traffic Expo 2002. Rep. Petri is Chairman of the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, which is responsible for America's federal highway and transit programs. The Congressman is a key player in encouraging the acceptance of TEA-21 Reauthorization by the rest of the US House and Senate.

Chuck Bailey, Chairman of the Government Relations Committee, attended a private dinner with other ATSSA members, where Rep. Petri urged the industry to initiate a grass roots effort to encourage participation in the legislative system to get the "safety dollars" and "firewalls" installed in reauthorization.

"The involvement of the traffic safety industry is key," says Bailey. "If you want to know how you can make a difference in highway funding--which represents our future--I invite you to call me at PSS, (800) 662-6338."

Discount available on the Navigator Vertical Panel

The versatile **Navigator® Vertical Panel** offers the features and benefits of both a cone and a vertical panel, in a convenient all-in-one channelizer. The break-away design saves space, and is more visible than standard 18 inch cones. Other features:

- ✓ Includes a molded hole for mounting a signal, and has a handle that can also serve as a roping-off mount.
- ✓ The **Navigator Vertical Panel** is recommended for lane closures, work zones, and vehicle traffic control.
- ✓ Is NCHRP 350 certified.
- ✓ Accepts type A or C lights.
- ✓ Convenient handles allow users to carry several at one time.
- ✓ Accommodates a variety of vertical panel sizes.



All orders for the Navigator Vertical Panel that are placed by June 28 will receive a 10% discount. Call today... (800) 662-6338

Call PSS for all of your traffic safety needs



At Plastic Safety System, Inc. (PSS), our mission is to provide the best temporary traffic control products in the world and maintain our customers for life. We offer a broad range of products to fit your safety needs:

- ✓ Channelizers
- ✓ Delineators
- ✓ Barricades
- ✓ Fencing
- ✓ Reflective Fence
- ✓ Barrier Markers, and
- ✓ Miscellaneous items such as Panel-Lite, sandbags, reflective sheeting, and 28-inch traffic cones.

Our products are detailed on our web site. Or, for details on any PSS products, call us at (800) 562-6338.

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