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## Teambuilding Activity Brings Individual Rewards

### Control Management, Inc. Helps Build Bikes and Bring Smiles

Columbia, SC-based Control Management, Inc. (CMI), a Siemens Solution Partner, recently participated in Siemens Building Technologies Division's annual Partner Summit held in Orlando. The main highlight of the two-day event occurred at the very end of the meeting, when CMI teamed up with more than 500 other authorized distribution partners of Siemens building automation and fire systems to assemble bicycles for 50 area boys and girls.

"This was unlike so many other meetings and events that I've attended with other business partners," says Kevin Cunningham of CMI. "This was a completely refreshing – and rewarding way to weave professional with personal aspects of life."

In keeping with the Partner Summit's theme *Building Together*, Siemens organized the bike building workshop around the premise of teams of 10 working together to "create a new product," which would later be donated to a local charity that runs an after-school program. The activity was analogous to members of a business organization needing to work together in order to be successful. The 9 CMI attendees were spread among the various "product" teams throughout the event ballroom.

The teams worked together to assemble the new bicycle along with the installation of a bike lock. This product package also included a helmet and a backpack. The team created a congratulations poster for the child. Mr. Cunningham and his team saw the result of their efforts when they met their "customer" – a beaming child who had just become the owner of this new bicycle. As they fitted the helmet and adjusted the bike to the new cyclist, the long-reaching effects of what the group had done began to sink in.



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Mr. Phil Wilson, President of CMI, admits that by far the most valuable takeaway of the event was seeing first-hand how a group of people taking just a few hours out of their day could make a long-lasting difference in someone's life. Equally, this serves as a great example of how a large international business can successfully team up with a local business partner to promote goodwill in the community.



#### **About Control Management, Inc.**

Control Management, Inc. designs, installs and maintains facility management and control systems which provide optimum energy consumption while maintaining precise environmental conditions in your facility. We understand that every customer has different criteria in terms of facilities, budgets, personnel, training, and energy consumption. To meet these individual needs, we provide customized facility management solutions. Solutions that guarantee customer satisfaction and system performance while adding value to your facility at a minimal cost.

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