

Contur Cabinet Launches Modular Garage Line



QUEBEC, CANADA — Contur Cabinet will launch its line of all-metal, modular garage storage cabinets in early June.

Contur officially opened in February 2010, and it showcased its new prototypes at the Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association Show, held last November in Las Vegas. The design theme of the new storage cabinets was based on the idea that garage systems should not resemble industrial tool boxes.

The new line of modular cabinets features European styling and all-metal construction with a patent-pending feature on its doors allowing for a front panel to "float" on a foam core, reducing dings and dents.

Contur currently has approximately 46 dealers in North America and is looking to expand that database with the launch of its new line.

"We worked hard the last three to four months to establish a dealer database," says Andy Evangelidis of Contur. "The interest has been overwhelming and dealers have been coming on board because of the fresh and new [garage cabinet design]."

Contur moved into 12,000-square-foot manufacturing facility earlier this year to prepare for its official production launch in the summer. The new plant also has



showroom space, which right now showcases Contur's pre-production garage cabinet prototypes.

Evangelidis cites three features (many of which are patent pending) of Contur's new cabinet line that have enticed dealers: 1) The contoured or curved front panels; 2) The foam core, which allows doors to "float" within the frame, reducing dings and dents and 3) The replaceable front panel system. Contur offers six colors and this option allows users to change at a later date.

Additional Contur cabinet features

include cabinet doors that swing up.

When developing the swing up doors, Evangelidis says that they realized most manufacturers used pneumatic struts but they decided to go with a special lid stay device from Huwill because of the weight of an all-metal door. "We wanted to make sure it would open easily," he says.

Future goals for Contur after the official launch include developing designer themes for the cabinets. "The panel is like the back drop for individual expression," Evangelidis adds.