

# Top of the class

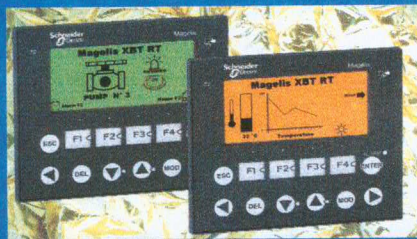
Expanded Polystyrene - a leading insulation material for construction industry applications - has scored the highest A+ summary rating in every one of four different densities tested in the latest and most rigorous BRE Global Green Guide to Specification. This is supported by at least eight 'straight As' in each of the separate impact ratings for each EPS density. BRE categorises materials according to their type and application and analyses them according to their environmental performance across thirteen demanding impact assessments. These range from climate change impact to stratospheric ozone depletion, ecotoxicity and fossil fuel depletion. The results for EPS show in every density measured EPS had a summary result of A+ - meaning the lowest environmental impact. In fact, when measured across all impact assessments, EPS scored As, A+ or Bs in ten of the thirteen environmental matrices. For more information call EPS on 0207 457 5017, email [info@epsconstructiongroup.com](mailto:info@epsconstructiongroup.com) or see [www.epsconstructiongroup.co.uk](http://www.epsconstructiongroup.co.uk).



## Flexible and powerful touchscreen

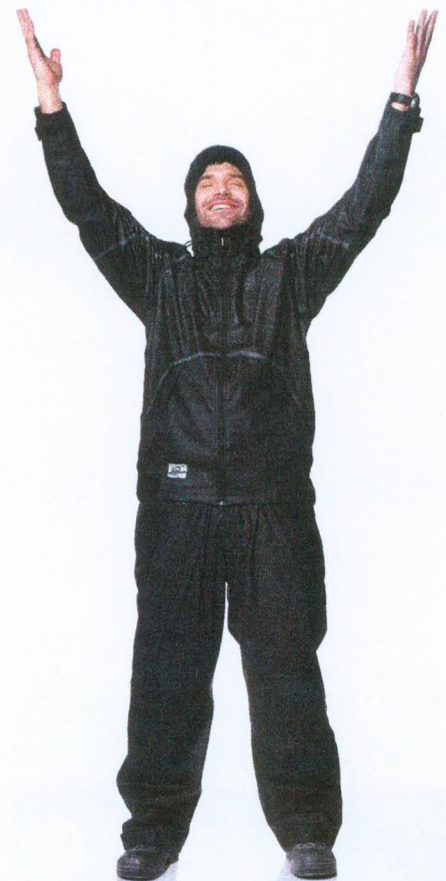
Schneider Electric has launched its new compact HMI with a 3.9 inch touchscreen in recognition of the need for simple installation, integration and programming of ever more complicated machines, yet at low cost. The Magelis XBTR511 has user configurable membrane keys; graphics with an extensive symbols library (built into the application software); bar graphs, gauges, trend graphs, bitmaps and scrolling text; with up to 16mm high characters for easy reading. Up to 10 lines of 33 characters per screen can be accommodated with a touch grid on screen of 11 x 5 cells. Patented spring-loaded fixing clips speed installation and also ensure the integrity of the HMI's IP65 seal and its global certifications, which include ATEX Zones 2 and 22. It is ideal for the con-

struction industry (cement, bricks, wood, glass, etc.), water treatment, domestic and industrial waste treatment, building automation and infrastructure applications. For more information visit [www.schneider.co.uk](http://www.schneider.co.uk).



## Rain no longer a pain

The best way to prevent rain, snow and wind from ruining a great working day is with Snickers' new Rain Suit. The separate jacket and trousers combine hi-tech materials in a polyamide fabric to give a suit that is totally waterproof, windproof and breathable. With a modern design for functionality, freedom of movement and working comfort, the suit has welded seams, reflective features for enhanced visibility and a soft fleece collar. For more information see [www.snickersworkwear.com](http://www.snickersworkwear.com).



## smarti® gets recognition

At the beginning of this year TAB Systems Inc. launched a new biometric unit for access control, time & attendance and building/home automation called smarti® DIADEM. The new unit has already received its first international award in April when it was short-listed by BSIA (British Security Industry Association) as one of six best new access control products for the IFSEC 2008 Security Industry Awards. At the end of July 2008 the new DIADEM unit received its second international acknowledgement. It was nominated to be one of the six finalists in the category "Security Innovation of the Year" at the Security Excellence Awards 2008. These awards are organised by Security Management Today, Security Installer and info4security and are acknowledged as the "Oscars" of the security world! The awards ceremony will be held in London on the 9th of October.

