**Application Spotlight**

**UL-Approved Autoclavable Battery Enclosure**

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Application Highlights
• Industry’s first UL-approved autoclavable battery
• Powers surgical tools for reconstructive orthopedic procedures
• Provides nearly twice the power of standard batteries* for uninterrupted use
• Can be immediately autoclaved with other instruments in a single tray
• 25 % lighter than standard batteries*
• Uses acceptable materials for recyclability
*Compared to Linvatec’s Standard Large Nicad Battery PRO3011

Why AvaSpire® PAEK?
• Withstands repeated autoclave cycles (134 °C/275 °F)
• Compatible with aggressive hospital cleaners and disinfectants
• High strength, ductility and impact resistance
• UL 94 V0 flammability rating at 0.8 mm

"AvaSpire® PAEK provides excellent performance in this innovative new battery system and its unique combination of properties sets it apart from competitive materials."

— Mike DeCesare, R&D Engineer, ConMed Linvatec

About ConMed Linvatec
ConMed Linvatec, based in Largo, Fla., is a developer and manufacturer of medical devices and disposable products. A global market share leader in arthroscopy and orthopedic-powered instruments, over the years ConMed Linvatec has expanded its product lines to include ENT and Neuro-Powered instruments as well as multi-specialty endoscopy systems.

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