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Saf-T-Gard International, Inc. Launches Transformative New Voltgard® RESCUE-8T Telescopic Insulated Rescue Body Hook

Unique, collapsible handle design extends to safely withdraw injured workers from hazardous areas and retracts when not in use to deliver 50-90% savings on shipping costs compared to 6' and 8' fixed-length rescue hooks

June 17, 2019 – NORTHBROOK, IL – Emergency rescue workers everywhere have a new reason to get hooked on Voltgard® Electrical Safety products with the arrival of the new Saf-T-Gard® Voltgard® RESCUE-8T Telescopic Insulated Rescue Body Hook. Showcasing an innovative telescopic handle design, the RESCUE-8T extends up to 8' for the emergency rescue of injured personnel and collapses to an overall length of 43". This compact, retracted size conveniently fits inside a standard (43" x 20" x 2") shipping carton, which ships for less than \$10, delivering tremendous value over other 6' and 8' fixed-length rescue hooks that can cost up to \$100 to ship.

Designed to comply with OSHA 1910.269(j) for the construction of live line tools and OSHA 1926.957 for the use of live line tools, the RESCUE-8T is coated and heat-treated with an 18" opening and mounted on an 8' telescopic fiberglass handle to rescue workers from confined spaces, in vaults, near electrical cabinets or switch gear. Additional features and benefits include a thicker, sturdier hook than most competitive models (which is less likely to break), a Hi-Viz yellow color at the top of the telescopic handle that provides added visibility and a "No-Twist" triangular design that allows the telescopic handle to remain in a locked position when fully retracted.

Electrical safety is a particular strength of Saf-T-Gard as its Voltgard division operates as an offsite NAIL4PET-accredited test lab for numerous utilities, telecom companies, contractors, municipalities and industrial facilities nationwide. Moreover, as a leading manufacturer and distributor of rubber insulating products, arc flash safety clothing and kits, grounding equipment and testing services, Voltgard is dedicated to serving those where worker safety and protection from electrical current are critically important.

The RESCUE-8T tool is not intended for use as a device to raise conductive equipment such as electrical cords, measuring tapes or antennas to elevated positions. Serious or fatal shock may occur if conductive accessories come into contact with electrical power lines. All sections must be fully extended and all lock buttons must be fully

locked before use. Each section of the handle can be individually removed for operation, cleaning and repair by depressing the lock button from its locked position and sliding the sections apart.

About Saf-T-Gard International, Inc.

Located in Northbrook, Illinois, [Saf-T-Gard International, Inc.](http://www.saftgard.com) is a privately-held family-owned and operated global supplier of industrial safety products. Founded in 1936 as Latex Glove Manufacturing Company, Saf-T-Gard quickly evolved into a predominant manufacturer, distributor, importer and exporter of personal protective equipment, environmental safety, facility safety, first aid, public safety and electrical safety. Today, Saf-T-Gard carries on the tradition that was started more than 80 years ago: bringing customers the products, training and service they need to keep employees safe in the workplace. Saf-T-Gard is an active member of the National Safety Council (NSC) and the Safety Marketing Group (SMG), as well as the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) and the International Safety Equipment Association (ISEA) committees responsible for the development of industry standards for protective equipment. Saf-T-Gard provides thousands of solutions from recognized brand names in addition to its renowned line of proprietary brands. Saf-T-Gard actively operates the Voltgard® Test Lab, one of the largest, independent, NAIL4PET-accredited test labs for rubber insulating products in the United States. To learn more, please visit www.saftgard.com or call 1-800-548-GARD (4273).

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