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## News Release

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## Douglas Machine Introduces the Ascend™ Bottom Load Case Packer for Increased Productivity

*Loads cases without picking or dropping products*

ALEXANDRIA, Minn., January 23, 2012 – Douglas Machine Inc., a global leader in automated secondary packaging solutions, today announces the introduction of the Ascend bottom load case packer, the latest addition to their extensive line of case packing products. The Ascend is a compact, fully automated machine designed to efficiently bottom load products into cases.

The Ascend bottom load case packer is ideally suited for products such as gable top and tuck-lid cartons, bottles and tubs. The Ascend offers a variety of advanced infeed solutions to collate and stack products prior to gentle case loading. Top and bottom case flaps are sealed prior to discharging cases. Douglas' performance-driven case packer erects, packs, and seals cases at speeds up to 15 cases per minute. The rugged frame and intuitive HMI are designed to ensure low maintenance and reliable performance.

Learn more about how the [Ascend](#) can solve your case packing challenge. For more information, call 320.763.6587 or visit [www.douglas-machine.com](http://www.douglas-machine.com).

### About Douglas Machine Inc.

Founded in 1964, Douglas Machine Inc. is recognized as a global leader in automated secondary packaging solutions for paperboard, corrugated, and shrink film. The company specializes in the design and manufacture of cartoners, sleeves, case and tray packers, and shrink wrap systems. Based in Alexandria, Minnesota, Douglas is an employee-owned company that has installed more than 7,000 machines in 30 countries. For more information, visit [www.douglas-machine.com](http://www.douglas-machine.com).

Email [maryellen.kerber@douglas-machine.com](mailto:maryellen.kerber@douglas-machine.com) for a high-resolution image of the Ascend bottom load case packer from Douglas.

The logo for the Ascend machine features the word "Ascend" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The letter "A" is stylized with a blue triangle pointing upwards. A small trademark symbol (TM) is located to the right of the word.



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