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BIO

Scott Francis, editor-in-chief of the *Products Finishing* brand, began his career with Gardner Business Media as an editor and content generator with *CompositesWorld* Gardner's sister publication covering the composites industry. He has edited for *Writer's Digest*, *HOW*, *Popular Woodworking* and has authored books on a range of topics. Scott has a bachelor's degree in writing and editing and a minor in biology from Western Carolina University.

QUOTE

"While these are difficult times, many of the shops I speak with are still operating during the COVID-19 crisis, providing what are deemed essential products. As the world rebounds and our communities see the impact of not having domestic access to the products we rely upon on a daily basis, the opportunities for local manufacturers will likely increase. The supply chain will likely change and the current ways of doing business will be tested and reassessed. Everyone working in a manufacturing-related field must be prepared to adapt to those changes and operate as nimbly as possible."

- Opportunities for industrial cleaner and surface prep chemical providers
- Antimicrobial powder coatings
- Increased adoption of industry 4.0 solutions during coronavirus pandemic
- Connectivity and how manufacturing business will evolve in the wake of COVID-19

REPORTING

[Living in Interesting Times](#)

How is the COVID-19 outbreak affecting your business? Stepping into the role of editor of *Products Finishing* in the middle of the coronavirus outbreak has been odd, to say the least. Here's my story — tell us yours.

[Coronavirus and the Coating and Finishing Industry](#)

PF checks in with Michael Guckes, chief economist for Gardner Intelligence for an update on how the manufacturing industry is trending during the coronavirus situation.

REPORTING (CONTINUED)

[Coating and finishing in the time of coronavirus](#)

A roundup of reporting on how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected manufacturing-related industries.

[Coronavirus Response in Manufacturing: Calvary Industries](#)

Calvary Industries, supplier of industrial cleaners, conversion coatings, metalworking fluids, and waste treatment chemistries, turns its focus toward general-purpose sanitizers to help combat coronavirus.

ON CAMERA

CAMX 2019 Recap



National Composites Week

