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## **Kelkar Joins EMF as Optical Coating Engineer**

**ITHACA, N.Y.** – Parag V. Kelkar was appointed optical coating engineer at Evaporated Metal Films (EMF) Corporation. His responsibilities include designing optical coatings and production processes.

“Customers will benefit from the solid experience and credentials that Parag brings to EMF’s World-Class Manufacturing operating philosophy, an approach that delivers top-of-the-line products and processes,” President Robert Miller said.

Kelkar previously served as senior optics engineer at Corning Inc. in Corning, N.Y., where he was responsible for new product and process development for the Photonics technology division. He led Corning’s efforts to develop high bit rate Erbium doped amplifiers and novel components. He also served as a researcher in the Electrical Engineering Department at the University of California at Los Angeles, working on the Photonic-assisted analog to digital converters for RADAR applications.

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Kelkar has a doctorate in physics from Brown University. His graduate work involved study of gain mechanism in blue-green light emitting vertical cavity lasers.

EMF is a full-service, optical thin film, custom coatings company that has a wide variety of capabilities including anti-reflection coatings, mirrors of all types, beamsplitters, neutral density filters, coatings for plastic optics, conductive coatings, and the ability to handle large optics. Application markets include aerospace, automotive, medical, lighting, instrumentation, displays and photolithography. Substrates for custom coatings consist of glass, plastic and metal in sizes from 6.35 millimeters to 2.3 meters. The company, based in Ithaca, N.Y., was founded in 1936 and was the first optical coating house to be incorporated in the United States.

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