





**Real-Life Stories** 

# **Case Study: Metal Fabrication**

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## A LARGE HOME APPLIANCE MANUFACTURER







### **BACKGROUND**

Headquartered in Europe, this global company makes a wide range of electrical appliances for domestic use. The existing competitive gloves being used were causing skin irritations that led to a need for a change in PPE.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Increase comfort for production workers
- Achieve cost savings as a result of standardization and the effectiveness of the recommended PPE
- Reduce SKUs by introducing standardization finding a common product, or products, to use across similar applications

#### **AnselIGUARDIAN® SOLUTIONS**

AnsellGUARDIAN® was used to evaluate 90% of the manufacturing facility to determine the best gloves for the tasks at hand. The HyFlex® 11-735 cut protective glove was chosen as the optimum replacement and subsequently reduced worker skin irritations to zero.

It had the additional benefit of lasting three times longer than the previous gloves which resulted in significant cost savings. The HyFlex® 11-251 and 11-281 cut protective sleeves were also recommended to wear with the HyFlex® 11-735 and were adopted to further improve worker safety.

#### **RESULTS**

Each objective was met, with highlights including 50% cost reduction and \$250,000 in annual savings.

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