dormakaba Switch^{TM} Tech Reimagines Access Control at the Core
Switch^{TM} Core by BEST Transforms Mechanical Access to Digital in Minutes

Indianapolis, IN – March 17, 2020 – Until now, security directors were forced to make tradeoffs when choosing which doors would incorporate electronic access control in their commercial building. Today, Switch^{TM} Tech brings a highly secure, affordable, digital solution that makes it easy to control who gains entry, while providing greater access visibility, tracking control. Better yet, it does not require replacement of installed door hardware.

The new Switch Tech platform extends electronic access control to applications previously not practical by offering a digital replacement for mechanical keys and mechanical small format interchangeable cores (SFIC), commonly referred to as SFICs. The initial product, Switch Core, will work wherever SFICs do, including cylindrical, mortise and other locks by BEST, Sargent, Yale, Corbin Russwin, Schlage and more. The Switch Core is ideal for retrofitting electronic control into existing doors on interior rooms, closets, cabinets and cases, extending access control further than previously possible.

"Switch Core utilizes Bluetooth® technology with an advanced and innovative approach," says Phillip Bradney Senior Vice President, Sales for dormakaba. "Users simply unlock the core using their smartphones or fobs, instead of a mechanical key. What's more, Switch Tech devices and software seamlessly integrate into Lenel OnGuard, with additional leading access control software integrations coming soon to enable digital auditing of access and use."

Users can simply install the Switch Tech mobile app available in the Apple and Google Play app store.

Switch Core offers both time and cost efficiencies:

- Eliminates need for physical rekeying
- Removes worries of lost, stolen or copied keys
- Reduces overhead time to manage overall access control and protection
- Reduces long-term costs of ownership by eliminating mechanical keys
- Enables rapid scalability with low cost
- Integrates seamlessly with existing access control

"The installation process for Switch Core is as simple as removing the existing SFIC and replacing with Switch Core. It's a five-minute process" says Dan Stewart, Market Development Manager. "Once installed, it is managed by the same Physical Access Control Software (PACS) controlling other access doors by connecting to our cloud-based Switch^{TM} Deck software. Leveraging the power of the cloud allows for deployment of the Switch Tech platform without any additional infrastructure needed in the building while still providing near real time monitoring of activity and updates to users."

Over 100 years ago, BEST founder, Frank Best, invented what would become the defacto standard mechanical lock in the door hardware industry. There are an estimated 100 million SFIC cores in use today in storage rooms, file and display cabinets, equipment cages, locker rooms and many more. Our Switch Tech platform continues that commitment to innovation by thinking past the door to create a whole new level of opportunities for improved, affordable access control.

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dormakaba is an industry leader and trusted source for security and access control solutions. With over 150 years of experience and millions of installations worldwide ranging from pushbutton locks and door

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closers to entrance systems, interior glass and fully networked and integrated access control solutions, dormakaba is your reliable partner for secure and flexible access to buildings and rooms.

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