

AxleTech International Launches Aftermarket Headquarters and Distribution Operations in Troy

TROY, Mich. – AxleTech International, a General Dynamics company, began operations today at a new state-of-the-art headquarters and distribution center in Troy, Mich., to meet the growing needs of its commercial and military customers around the world. Staffed by 40 professionals who fulfill aftermarket orders, the new facility allows AxleTech to process requirements more efficiently and at the highest levels of customer service.

By September 2010, the 135,000-square-foot facility will be expanded to house AxleTech's Truck-Trailer-Transit (TTT) brake operations, currently based in Detroit; U.S. Gear's aftermarket operations, currently based in Chicago; and AxleTech's global headquarters. Upgraded capabilities at the new Troy location will include a new engineering technical center and prototype operation.

Mary Petrovich, general manager of AxleTech International, said, "We are proud of the success achieved by AxleTech's aftermarket business, which has grown to more than ten times the size it was when we initiated the business in 2002. Since then, we have added over 100 technical and professional employees to our team from the talented workforce available here in Michigan.

"We are especially appreciative for the MEGA grant awarded to us from the State of Michigan Economic Growth Authority last month, which will help AxleTech continue to grow and create more jobs in Michigan," Petrovich said.

Bill Gryzenia, vice president of Aftermarket Business Development for AxleTech, said, "The new AxleTech facility in Troy will deploy the best of technology and customer service for our commercial and military customers around the world. We will now combine the efficiency of a paperless, lean distribution environment with the benefits of our experienced leadership collaborating in one consolidated location to continue to exceed our customers' expectations."



AxleTech International is a global manufacturer and supplier of axles, axle components, planetary axles, brakes and aftermarket parts for commercial specialty trucks, military vehicles and off-highway machines used in the construction, material handling, forestry, mining and agricultural markets.

General Dynamics, headquartered in Falls Church, Va., employs approximately 91,700 people worldwide. The company is a market leader in business aviation; land and expeditionary combat systems, armaments and munitions; shipbuilding and marine systems; and information systems and technologies. More information about General Dynamics is available online at www.gd.com.

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