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Bristol Manufacturers Expand Their Footprints

BRISTOL, CONN., (October 9, 2019) – The Bristol Development Authority is proud to support two manufacturers in the All Heart City who have experienced success doing business in the City of Bristol. Both **AMKO Precision Aerospace Machining** and **LAB Securities Systems Corporation** are expanding their footprints in order to grow and increase their capabilities.

AMKO LLC, an aerospace manufacturer that relocated to Bristol from a nearby community, constructed a 14,784 square foot state-of-the-art manufacturing facility on Lot #5 in the Southeast Bristol Business Park in 2016. At that time the growing company employed six full-time employees. With the addition of three more employees by 2019 and a need for more space, AMKO is now expanding the footprint of its building and plans to further increase its workforce once the expansion is completed. The new addition to the building will be approximately 4,200 square feet. Established in 2005, AMKO specializes in the complex machining of commercial and defense aerospace components for companies such as Pratt & Whitney, General Electric, and Rolls Royce. They are certified to AS9100 & ISO 9001 requirements and are approved by Pratt and Whitney for ESA-PRP processes. Walter Czupryna, AMKO's owner, started the business with two machines in 2005. By 2006, Walter was able to hire two employees and move into a 3,000 square foot facility, receiving AS9100 Certification two years later in 2008. By 2009, AMKO expanded the business again adding another employee. As the business continued to grow and with the need for yet more space, constructing a new facility in the Southeast Bristol Business Park became an option.

“Our satisfaction with the City of Bristol's assistance during our relocation from another community just a few years ago helped to make our current decision to expand our building an easy one. We look forward to continuing to grow in Bristol,” says Czupryna.

LAB Security Systems Corporation, a longtime manufacturer located on Emmett Street in Bristol, specializes in producing lock tumbler pins, lock pin kits, and locksmith tools. LAB is expanding its operation on Emmett Street by adding 2,085 square feet of manufacturing/storage space and a 1,020 square foot covered loading dock to its existing building. The 2,100 square foot expansion will create additional floor space to increase LAB's production capabilities as it grows its business around the world. LAB's lock tumbler pins are found in almost every American-made manual lock in the U.S. If you open or close a door with a key, chances are its interior components were probably made right here in the All Heart City!

Since 1956 LAB has specialized in the manufacturing of high-quality component parts and aftermarket packaging for multiple industries. These industries included Mechanical Security (locks), Firearms, Electronics, and Consumer Goods. LAB is the home of the largest concentration of D-2, D-4 and D-6 Swiss Escomatic screw machines in North America, producing over 1.3 billion high-quality precision parts annually. As the company continued to grow LAB tumbler pins and pin kits quickly became one of the most respected brand names in the security industry. In 1994 LAB moved to its current location at 700 Emmett Street which became the company's World Headquarters.

"The City of Bristol's assistance in allowing an expansion of our facility here along with the availability of a highly trained and technical workforce has allowed Lab Security to continue for over 60 years," says Thomas Martucci, Director of Marketing and Sales.

The two photos below are from late spring 2019 for both expansion projects at AMKO and LAB Security.

AMKO:



LAB Security Systems Corporation:



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