

Ojibway moves in to Beloit

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Ojibway Enclosures recently completed its move from its former Janesville production facilities into Universal Acoustic & Emission Technologies' Center of Excellence at the Ironworks campus in downtown Beloit.

Ojibway was acquired by Universal AET in July. The company designs and manufactures sound-attenuating enclosure systems, provides generator set packaging services for the standby power generation industry, and performs laser cutting, welding and forming of metal products.

Universal AET is a global designer and manufacturer of engineered acoustic and emissions solutions for the power generation, gas turbine, oil and gas, rail, engine and emissions, and industrial processing markets.

The move helps production by bringing operations under one roof into a more efficient configuration than the previous two locations. There is also more lifting capacity with higher tonnage cranes and higher hook heights in Beloit that allow Ojibway staff to produce and move larger units, including improved logistics capabilities for bigger products to be built. New equipment includes a blast and paint booth; a roll former; a shear, high-definition plasma cutter for thicker steel; precision weld and fixture tables; and improved welding capabilities.

Ojibway and Universal AET are now better positioned to serve customers who source acoustic and emissions treatment products, and complete packages for data centers, hospitals and other large-scale facilities that utilize generators or turbines for power generation.

“The move into our Beloit Center of Excellence makes both the Ojibway division and Universal AET a more efficient organization for our customers, with streamlined access to Universal AET's existing resources and personnel,” said Universal AET Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Dick Strojinc. “We have more capacity and are producing new orders even faster, with the highest degree of quality. Future expansion plans and equipment additions are scheduled to increase capacity further.”

New employees have been hired since the acquisition, and other positions are in the process of being filled.

Universal AET occupies 106,000 square feet in the Center of Excellence and has an additional 67,000 square feet in reserve for potential expansion, which will enable the company to grow its engineering, manufacturing and distribution capabilities. The Center of Excellence brings together

a dedicated team of engineers, designers, business staff and manufacturing specialists under one roof.

Established in 1959, Universal Acoustic & Emission Technologies conducts business on a global platform from its headquarters in Stoughton, Wis. Universal AET has particular expertise in air movement applications for diesel and gas turbine engine systems. Recognized around the globe for its customized solutions for noise control, emissions and air filtration applications, Universal AET also offers an expansive portfolio of standard products. Its offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Wisconsin, Mexico, the United Kingdom, Singapore and India. For more about Universal AET, visit www.universalaet.com.