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Spartan Light Metal Products announces the groundbreaking of a new 135k square foot, stand-alone die cast manufacturing facility to be located in Mexico, Missouri. The new multi-million dollar investment in this manufacturing facility is another substantial example of Spartan Light Metal Products commitment to the city of Mexico, Missouri and the surrounding communities. This facility will operate as a separate business unit and is being built on an existing site owned by Spartan in Mexico, Missouri.

City officials, community leaders, company management and plant employees will be on hand for the groundbreaking ceremony on September 5, 2018. This expansion is projected to be complete in September 2019 and will add approximately 100+ jobs to the Mexico, Missouri area over the next five years.

Spartan Light Metal Products is a family owned, full-service supplier of custom die cast aluminum and magnesium products for the automotive and consumer products markets. This new state of the art facility will help meet customers' demands to increase fuel economy by using lighter weight materials and position Spartan Light Metal Products to participate in the growing electrification movement in propulsion systems. The initial phase will have room for up to four large tonnage die cast machines, 3500 ton or larger with the ability to cast either Magnesium or Aluminum. The focus will be on Magnesium with a target of structural components and parts for vehicle electrification.

Spartan Light Metal Products CEO, Bruce Breitzman, commented, "It is exciting to see the beginning of the future of Spartan. This is a big step to enter the vehicle lightweighting markets. Spartan will be able to support our customers no matter what the propulsion

method is for vehicles. It is also exciting to support the next generation of the Jubel family. We so much appreciate the support we have received from our customers, suppliers, the Mexico community, our associates, and the Jubel family. It is a proud moment in Spartan history and progress.”

City of Mexico, Missouri Mayor, Chris Miller commented, “The City of Mexico, Audrain County and Progress Mexico works everyday on encouraging business growth in our community and we are very pleased that Spartan has chosen Mexico, MO to expand and locate their new manufacturing facility. Spartan has been a great corporate partner for over 20 years and this additional investment in our community demonstrates their continued commitment for many years to come”.

“This is an exciting day for the city of Mexico and for Missouri,” Governor Mike Parson said. “It’s an honor to work with companies like Spartan Light Metal Products to help create jobs and new opportunities for our state.”

The Company has more than 1,000 employees with manufacturing facilities located in Hannibal and Mexico, Missouri, and Sparta, Illinois. Sales and engineering employees are located at plant locations as well as in Detroit, Tokyo and at the Corporate Services Center in St. Louis, Missouri.