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Move to new manufacturing facility continues for Primetals Technologies

- **All office personnel have moved into the new facility in Sutton, Mass.**
- **Move of manufacturing machines expected to be complete by December**
- **More than 300 employees expected to occupy the new building**

Construction is complete, but the process of moving to a new manufacturing and office facility in Sutton, Mass., continues for Primetals Technologies. By the end of this year, the company's long rolling manufacturing and service operations as well as more than 300 employees will occupy the 183,000-square-foot building. Primetals Technologies reached the first significant move-in milestone when all office personnel, including the engineering, sales, and research and development departments, transferred to the new facility in July.

The more complex challenge has been relocating the company's manufacturing operations from another facility in Worcester, Massachusetts. Primetals Technologies has operated on Crescent Street in Worcester for more than a century, gaining worldwide recognition for plant engineering and equipment manufacturing for the steel and nonferrous metals industries.

Globally, this operation holds responsibility within the company for engineering and manufacturing technologies involved in the production of long products. This includes wire rod mills, reducing/sizing mills, controlled cooling systems, finishing blocks, trim shears, high-speed laying heads, as well as coil reforming, handling and compacting systems. Primetals Technologies long rolling digitalization portfolio includes smart sensors and control systems to monitor and collect data throughout the production process. Its domain extends from enterprise resource planning (ERP), through manufacturing execution systems (MES), to control systems and down to the plant device level.

Primetals Technologies has installed or upgraded more than 1,000 rolling mills on six continents. "With customers located throughout the world, we had to carefully plan the move to meet production schedules

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and delivery timelines,” said Gabriel Royo, Vice President, Rolling Mill Services. As Executive Sponsor of the move project, Royo reported that the process for disassembling, moving, and then reassembling the remaining machinery in Sutton is on schedule. “So far, we have moved more than 75 percent of our manufacturing equipment, most of which is now operating in Sutton.” Several older machines will be sold at an auction to be held October 29.

Ralf Hanneken, President and CEO believes that the new facility will complement the company’s 13 other U.S. locations. “In the past few years, we have made significant investments in our manufacturing and service workshop capabilities,” he said. “The Sutton facility is the latest example of our commitment to U.S. manufacturing. We’re providing our people with a state-of-the-art space and the advanced manufacturing tools they need to continue exceeding customer expectations for capital projects, equipment upgrades, and services.”

The building’s modern and functional design has earned praise from the local commercial real estate industry. Specifically, the *New England Real Estate Journal*, named the building “Project of the Month” for September.

The roots for Primetals Technologies go back to 1888, when Charles Hill Morgan founded Morgan Construction Company in Worcester. The company was acquired by Siemens in 2008 and became part of a joint venture between Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and Siemens in 2015. As of January 2020, the company is fully owned by Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and partners.



Photo caption: The new Primetals Technologies site at 93 Gilmore Drive, Sutton, Massachusetts

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