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Currier Plastics Completes Advanced Manufacturing Project

Auburn, NY Currier Plastics has completed its expansion as part of the New York Regional Economic Development Council 5 year initiative for Advanced Manufacturing in the central New York region. The expansion was made possible by grants from New York State plus investments by the Currier Plastics ownership group and is key to help drive exports and bring home more US jobs that have gone off shore.

Currier Plastics broke ground on their expansion in late 2012. The expansion included a new 40,000 sq ft state of the art Blow Molding facility, and a 10,000 sq ft addition to the ware house. The expansion also enabled the Injection Molding department to double its size as well as expanding the size of the newly equipped Quality Lab.

Currier Plastics was also awarded a Lean Manufacturing Training Grant by New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL). The custom molder selected the key areas of improvement they would like to focus on in their workforce. Scott Reilly, Continuous Improvement Coordinator at Currier Plastics said the money they received from NYSDOL has gone to good use. "We've been able to ramp up training for our employees in both a classroom and hands on style environment. The employees are receiving their training to build upon their technical processing and statistical process control skills. We've brought in the manufacturers of specific equipment to provide training and we've also covered general practices using Lean Manufacturing techniques. It's changing the culture of the workforce," says Reilly. Currier plans to retain their current manufacturing employees and add 50 new manufacturing jobs in the next five years. The proposed training programs will enable Currier to close the skilled workers gap from the inside, training their incumbent workers as primary and back up technicians and skilled operators.

Currier Plastics is located in the heart of central New York and has been custom molding for a variety of industries such as plastic packaging, beauty and cosmetics, amenities, household consumables, electronic connectors and medical measuring devices since 1982.

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