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Elite Manufacturing Technologies Goes Lean with Production Quality System

BLOOMINGDALE, IL, 01/25/10: The year 2009 brought many challenges to businesses across all industries, and as 2010 begins, companies continue to seek to recalibrate strategies and streamline processes. At Elite Manufacturing Technologies, a positive outlook for 2010 is guided by the Company's recent customer-base expansion and lean manufacturing initiatives to improve operational processes.

Elite Manufacturing Technologies (EMT) is focusing on an 18-element Production and Quality System (EPQS), which includes Employee Involvement, Paperless Document Control, Business Process Mapping, Kanban Systems and more. The most recent focus for process improvement has been in a shift from reliance on final inspection to quality at source. "Quality should be built into the production process," emphasizes Rahul Sarkar, Director of Quality at EMT. "Quality at source is the best way to affect quality as it is far more time- and cost-effective to uncover any potential quality problem at the point of manufacture and correct it, as well as fix the process; rather than to discard defective items after production or, worse yet, have shipments delayed because parts had to be remade." As of mid-January, the Company has completed the final implementation of the quality at source initiative. With new quality procedures in place, parts are checked throughout the production process. Roving auditors have been placed out on the production floor to collect data at all points in the supply chain. This compiled information is then used for data-based analysis of process capabilities and process improvements.

While EMT is concerned with technical aspects of quality, they also realize the importance of the involvement of its employees, customers and suppliers. "Employees are proud to take ownership of the quality of their work," comments General Manager, Jim Fitch. "Under the quality at source initiative, everyone becomes a quality inspector. Our employees are motivated to ensure that their work meets expected standards of quality." EMT also stresses that quality is customer driven. EMT recognizes that the requirements of clients are the focal point to achieving successful outcomes and ensuring optimal quality. "When the EMT team and suppliers work cooperatively to achieve the highest levels of quality, we know we will exceed customers' expectations and continue to see our Company grow in 2010," says Fitch.

Stay tuned for more information about EMT's Production and Quality System initiatives that will be in place completely in upcoming weeks. For more information about Elite Manufacturing Technologies, please contact us at 630-351-5757.

About the company:

Elite Manufacturing Technologies is a leading, innovative manufacturer of precision sheet metal fabricated components and assemblies. Established in 1991, Elite Manufacturing Technologies operates its main manufacturing campus in Bloomington, Illinois. Secondary operations, from simple finishes to complex electro-mechanical assemblies, are managed at an additional facility, conveniently located just minutes away.

EMT's primary focus is to build a total solution for its customers, providing products that are superior in quality and design, competitively priced, and delivered on-time. The Company's entire manufacturing process is ISO 9001:2000 Certified, ensuring a consistently high level of quality in business practices and manufacturing operations.

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