

DENSO Celebrates Alabama Facility Grand Opening

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Establishing Montgomery warehouse creates 30 jobs

Southfield, Mich. – Global automotive supplier DENSO cuts the ribbon on its latest North American investment—a warehousing facility in Montgomery, Alabama on Thursday, June 26. DENSO Manufacturing Michigan—Alabama Plant (DMMI-AL), which represents a \$2.2 million investment, is part of DENSO’s expansion plan to invest nearly \$1 billion in North America in a four year period.

“Since announcing our Alabama expansion plans in October, we have worked closely with the Montgomery community to revitalize the Smothers Road building into a world-class DENSO facility,” said Mike Bowman, DMMI-AL plant director. “Montgomery has been a great partner, and we are thrilled to have hired 30 people on the way to our goal of 45 new DENSO jobs here in Alabama.”

DMMI-AL is a 103,000 square-foot facility that will support the warehousing and shipping of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) units and other parts for DENSO’s North American customers. The \$2.2 million investment included new equipment, personal property, setup and training.

“Today is certainly an exciting day for Montgomery as we celebrate our new partnership with DENSO,” said Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce Chairman of the Board of Directors Leslie L. Sanders. “This new chapter not only signifies more jobs and expanding industry, it also demonstrates once again that world-class companies such as DENSO see Montgomery as a place they want to do business.”

This investment is part of DENSO's expansion plan to invest nearly \$1 billion in North America – more than \$750 million in the United States – to strengthen and expand its product development and manufacturing capabilities across the region.

DENSO Corporation, headquartered in Kariya, Aichi prefecture, Japan, is a leading global automotive supplier of advanced technology, systems and components in the areas of thermal, powertrain control, electronics and information and safety. Its customers include all the world's major carmakers. Worldwide, the company has more than 200 subsidiaries and affiliates in 38 countries and regions (including Japan) and employs nearly 140,000 people. Consolidated global sales for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, totaled US\$39.8 billion. Last fiscal year, DENSO spent 9.0 percent of its global consolidated sales on research and development. DENSO common stock is traded on the Tokyo and Nagoya stock exchanges. For more information, go to www.globaldenso.com, or visit our media center at or visit our media website at www.densomediacycenter.com.

Currently, in North America, DENSO employs more than 17,000 people at 32 consolidated companies and affiliates. Of these, 28 are manufacturing facilities located in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. In the U.S. alone, DENSO employs more than 14,000 people in California, Michigan, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Iowa, Ohio, Arkansas and Alabama. DENSO's North American consolidated sales totaling US\$7.9 billion for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014.

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Facility Name	DENSO Manufacturing Michigan Inc. Alabama Plant (DMMI-AL)
Established	November 1, 2013
Ownership	DENSO Manufacturing Michigan, Inc.
President	Shingo Kuwamura
Products	Warehousing, shipping and light assembly of HVAC units
Employees	30 (projected goal of 45 employees)
Main Customers	Hyundai
Location	101 Smothers Road, Montgomery, AL 36111
Building Square Footage	103,000 square feet
Investment Includes	New equipment, personal property, setup and training
Total Investment as of June 2014	US\$2.2 million

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