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Magneti Marelli celebrates 40 years of powertrain in Sanford, NC

Magneti Marelli celebrates the 40th anniversary of its plant in Sanford, North Carolina – USA. Inaugurated in 1976, the plant is dedicated to the production of automotive powertrain technologies. Over its 40 year history, the plant has evolved from producing carburetors into modern powertrain systems including intake manifolds, electronic throttle bodies and engine control systems for automobiles, motorcycles, powersports, and industrial engines. This important anniversary is celebrated with a Family Day that involved all employees and their families.

The plant is located in Sanford, about 30 miles from Raleigh (the capital of North Carolina). It covers an area of almost 90 thousand square meters. The site is also a technical center for product development. There are currently about 400 employees in the facility.

Over the years, the Sanford plant has obtained TS 16949 and ISO 9001 quality certifications, ISO 14001 environmental certification and OHSAS 18001 health certification, a proof to Magneti Marelli's dedication to quality and safety. Core operations within the Sanford facility include aluminium die casting, complex machining, injection molding, and assembly. Such vertical integration is rare for these components and promotes the ability to be highly flexible to customer volume fluctuations.

Sanford produces various components including highly technical air intake manifolds. These types of intake manifold uses sophisticated electronic control systems to regulate air and gas fluid dynamics aimed at maximizing performance, reducing fuel consumption and CO₂, and reducing engine noise.

The production, carried out for major manufacturers such as FCA, VW, Harley-Davidson, Polaris, and Mercury Marine, illustrates the level of innovation and technological development of Magneti Marelli. Its attractive location is just a short distance from the Research Triangle Park and the nation's premier automotive hubs.

Magneti Marelli can rely on a longstanding presence in North America in the Powertrain, Lighting, Electronic Systems, Suspension Systems (Shock Absorbers), Exhaust Systems, After Market and Motorsport businesses. Magneti Marelli's North American headquarters are located in Auburn Hills, Michigan.

Magneti Marelli sites in North America:

U.S.

Auburn Hills, Michigan: Headquarters, Application Engineering & Sales for Powertrain, Lighting, Electronic Systems, Suspensions Systems (Shock Absorbers), Exhaust Systems, After Market and Motorsports;

Clarkston, Michigan: Exhaust Systems manufacturing

Pulaski, Tennessee: Suspensions Systems (Shock Absorbers) and Automotive Lighting manufacturing

Sanford, North Carolina: Powertrain manufacturing;

El Paso, Texas: logistics and warehouse.

MEXICO

Juárez: Automotive Lighting manufacturing

Tepotztlán: Manufacturing for Electronic Systems and Automotive Lighting

Saltillo: Manufacturing for Suspension Systems and Powertrain

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Magneti Marelli designs and produces advanced systems and components for the automotive industry. With 89 production units, 12 R&D centres and 30 application centres in 19 countries, approximately 40,500 employees and a turnover of 7.3 billion Euro in 2015, the group supplies all the major carmakers in Europe, North and South America and the Far East. Business areas include Electronic Systems, Lighting, Powertrain, Suspension Systems and Shock Absorbers, Exhaust Systems, Aftermarket Parts & Services, Plastic Components and Modules, and Motorsport. Magneti Marelli is part of FCA.