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Troy, Michigan August 2010: SMW Automotive is pleased to announce the launch of a new plant in Shelbyville, Tennessee. The 131,000 sqft plant will be operational in the fall of 2010, and will serve automotive assembly plants in the Southern US. Shelbyville is located 40 miles South of Nashville, Tennessee.



“We are looking forward to launching this new plant close to our customers and suppliers. This Southern US location is a perfect complement to our global footprint to supply the assembly plants of Nissan, Mercedes, General Motors, Chrysler, Volkswagen, BMW, Honda, Toyota, Kia and Hyundai. The area has a skilled, solid and reliable workforce, supported by the Tennessee Technology Center located in Shelbyville with CNC machining, metrology and assembly training programs. We have started our recruiting and training process. The plant will eventually employ 170 people based on ten awarded programs. SMW will use its latest machining and assembly technology and long experience of successfully starting new plants to make this launch flawless,” said Tom Bane, Director of Manufacturing.

SMW Automotive, headquartered in Michigan, is a global, full service supplier of knuckles, control arms, brake corner modules and chassis sub-systems. SMW has eight manufacturing plants in the US and several other plants in France, Brazil and China. Its main engineering center is located in Troy, Michigan with satellite centers in France and India, and validation laboratories in Warren, Michigan.

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