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Digital Infrastructure Growth Drives \$15 Million Wieland Expansion in Delaware

German-owned manufacturer will add second production site and create 100 jobs

Columbus, OH — The systems that keep data centers cool will soon be manufactured at greater scale in Delaware. The Wieland Group will invest \$15 million in a second production facility in the area and create 100 jobs as demand for high-performance cooling equipment continues to rise.

The company will establish operations in a 100,000-square-foot facility while continuing production at its existing Delaware location. The new jobs will represent over \$6.7 million in annual payroll. The Delaware operation currently supports 31 positions and has an annual payroll of \$2.1 million.

The new facility will manufacture heat exchangers that remove heat from cooling systems, helping data centers operate reliably. Wieland's technology is designed to deliver greater cooling capacity while reducing the amount of material and refrigerant required.

The investment reflects Wieland's continued commitment to expanding its manufacturing footprint in North America and supporting growth in key industries and the trends shaping them. The Delaware operation joined Wieland, a global copper and technology company, through the 2024 acquisition of Onda S.p.A. Founded in Germany in 1820, Wieland operates over 80 locations worldwide, including 44 in North America, and serves industries ranging from electronics and refrigeration to automotive, construction and data center infrastructure.

"Demand for high-performance data center cooling is accelerating, and this investment gives us the capacity to grow with our customers," said Rodrigo De Luca, VP of Wieland Onda, Global. "Our existing Delaware team has built a strong foundation for this next phase. Adding a second location will allow us to increase production and create new careers while strengthening Wieland's data center cooling business in North America."

With more than 30 years of experience in heat transfer technology, the company serves data center, commercial building, and industrial markets.

“Wieland’s decision to add a second manufacturing facility reflects the strength of the company’s experience in Delaware,” said Delaware Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle. “This investment will create new career opportunities and connect our community to one of the world’s fastest-growing technology markets. We are proud that a global company sees Delaware as the right place for its continued growth.”

The expansion demonstrates how data center investment supports a wider network of companies across the Columbus Region. As computing capacity grows, so does demand for the equipment and technical expertise required to keep those facilities operating safely and efficiently.

“Data center growth is creating an economic ecosystem that reaches well beyond the facilities themselves,” said Jonas Peterson, chief economic development officer and president of One Columbus. “Wieland Onda’s expansion shows that impact taking hold in advanced manufacturing. A global company is investing new capital in Delaware, building products that support digital infrastructure across the country while creating local opportunity for residents.”

“International manufacturers keep choosing Ohio because we give them the workforce and industrial strength to expand their U.S. operations with confidence,” said JobsOhio President and CEO J.P. Nauseef. “Wieland Onda’s newest operations in Delaware add 100 manufacturing jobs, strengthen our data center supply chain, and build domestic capacity for a technology this country increasingly depends on.”

Wieland’s existing Delaware operation is located at 600 London Road. The new facility will be located at 115 Innovation Court.

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About Wieland

Wieland is one of the world's leading suppliers of semi-finished copper and copper alloy products. With a global network of more than 80 production sites, service, and trading companies, the company offers a broad product, technology, and service portfolio. From prototype to series production, Wieland develops solutions for automotive, aerospace, electronics, refrigeration, air conditioning, and many other industries. Wieland uses high-performance copper materials to drive the success of its B2B customers in future-oriented fields such as electromobility, connectivity, and urbanization. High technical competence, customer-oriented thinking, and sustainability determine their actions and have been the basis of the company's success since 1820.

About the Columbus Partnership

The Columbus Partnership is a nonprofit organization of CEOs from Columbus’ leading businesses and institutions. Through our membership and other ally organizations across Central Ohio, the Partnership upholds a shared vision to make Columbus the most prosperous region in the country. The Columbus Partnership team also includes One Columbus, one of the nation’s top economic development teams that serves the 11-county Columbus Region; and Smart Columbus, an innovation lab that applies technology to advance community good. The

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About JobsOhio

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