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ATEK Opens Medical Device Manufacturing Facility in Costa Rica

New facility significantly expands capacity and addresses client regional manufacturing and distribution needs

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (Mar. 28th, 2008) – [ATEK Medical](#), a division of [ATEK Companies](#), announced that it has opened a medical device manufacturing facility in Heredia, Costa Rica.

“With this new investment, ATEK Medical has doubled its manufacturing capacity and strengthened its ability to offer unparalleled manufacturing and new product launch services to the medical device industry,” said Kay Phillips, president, ATEK Companies.

The facility, located in a free trade zone near the San Jose International Airport, will specialize in Class II single-use and electro-disposable device, and Class III implantable device manufacturing. ATEK took possession of the building late last year and is currently producing several product lines.

“As a solutions provider, it is extremely critical that our growth plans align with what our clients need to sustain their growth,” said Chris Oleksy, president, ATEK Medical. “The addition of a Costa Rica facility strategically positions ATEK Medical to better serve our client’s domestic and international growth goals.”

With similar capabilities as ATEK Medical’s facility in Grand Rapids, Mich., the Costa Rica facility is equipped and staffed to provide ATEK clients with a complete manufacturing solution.

“Being able to take advantage of production in dual locations provides clients with a competitive edge,” said Oleksy. “Because of our manufacturing and supply chain expertise, we can work with clients to develop a production strategy that offers improved operational efficiencies and lower distribution costs while still maintaining the same quality and competitiveness they expect from ATEK.”

Over the last decade, Costa Rica has developed a strong medical device manufacturing industry and ATEK Medical and its customers will be able to draw on these strong skill sets to propel their growth.

For additional information about ATEK Medical, please visit www.atekmedical.com.

About ATEK Medical

ATEK Medical is a total solutions partner serving the medical, disposable, electro-mechanical and implantable device markets. From product design and launch to distribution and post-production fulfillment, the ATEK Medical team is dedicated, skilled and cross-trained to serve your company's needs. ATEK Medical capabilities include product development and launch; medical device manufacturing; packaging, labeling and sterilization services; microbiology services; supply chain management; and post-production fulfillment services. ATEK Medical is ISO 13485:2003 certified and FDA registered to design, produce and launch Class I, II and III medical devices. Since 1979, ATEK Medical has developed and launched more than 300 unique products and specializes in product management and full-service manufacturing. For more information on ATEK Medical, visit www.atekmedical.com.

About ATEK Companies

ATEK Companies is the preferred manufacturing partner serving diverse industries including medical, aerospace, defense, communications, and transportation. ATEK Companies distinguishes itself from the competition through its 60-year history of delivering unparalleled value, high quality products, and creative solutions. ATEK Companies offers total project management, including electrical and mechanical product design and launch, supply chain management, production, packaging and distribution, and post-production fulfillment services. ATEK Companies is comprised of five businesses, which include ATEK Medical, ATEK Manufacturing, ATEK Plastics, ATEK Products, and Progress Casting. Facilities are located in Minneapolis and Brainerd, Minn.; Kerrville, Texas; New Hampton, Iowa; Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Heredia, Costa Rica. For more information visit www.atekcompanies.com.

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