

News Release

Contact: Dick Conrow, C&A Tool – 260.693.2167
Mayor Norman Yoder, City of Auburn – 260.925.5430
Galen Eberhart, DeKalb County Partnership – 260.927.1180

DeKalb County ED Partnership
1324 South Grandstaff Drive
Auburn, IN 46706
Phone: 260-927-1180
Fax: 260-927-1185

C&A Tool Engineering Expanding to Auburn, Indiana *National and international metalworking specialist continues growth*

AUBURN, (February 6, 2008) — C&A Tool Engineering, headquartered in Churubusco, Ind., has announced plans to expand production to Auburn, Ind. The company will occupy the former Kimball Electronics building at the corner of Grandstaff Drive and 15th Street in Auburn. The 105,000 square foot building sits on 30 acres and will allow for future expansion of C&A Tool.

“The demands of anticipated additional business caused us to look to nearby areas for expansion,” said Dick Conrow, owner of C&A Tool Engineering. “Auburn is convenient to our present location and offers a skilled labor pool that suits our needs.”

C&A Tool expects to start operations in Auburn by June. New investment will total about \$10,000,000 and bring about 50 new jobs in the first phase. The company currently employs over 440 in its Churubusco facilities and has experienced substantial growth since its founding in 1969. C&A Tool recently achieved the aerospace AS-9100B quality certification for the design and manufacture of precision aerospace components.

“We are delighted to have C&A Tool Engineering as our newest Auburn corporate citizen,” stated Auburn Mayor Norman Yoder. “C&A’s reputation as a solid, growing company is a welcome addition to our business community. We are happy C&A chose the vacant, but well-maintained Kimball building for its latest expansion.”

The DeKalb County Economic Development Partnership (DCEDP) is working with all involved parties to help facilitate this expansion project. BND Commercial, Fort Wayne, represented the building’s owners in the transaction.

About C&A Tool Engineering

C&A Tool Engineering opened its doors in 1969, and has been solving customers’ problems with uncommon results. The company began as a premier tool and die maker and has become a national and international supplier of metalworking specialties. As a tooling, engineering and contract manufacturer C&A Tool serves markets in transportation, aeronautical, medical, business equipment, food processing, appliances, consumer goods, machine tools and other industries. C&A Tool is both ISO and TS certified. Further, its operations also meet FDA standards and approval for manufacturing in the sensitive areas of medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, food, and others. For more information about C&A Engineering, visit www.catool.com.

About DCEDP

Established in 2006, the DeKalb County Economic Development Partnership (DCEDP) operates a full-time, county-wide local economic development organization. The mission of DeKalb County Economic Development Partnership, Inc. is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of DeKalb County through enhanced employment opportunities resulting from the responsible growth of business and industry. Staff is available to assist with base employer attraction and retention/expansion projects. More information about the Partnership is at www.dekalbcountyedp.org.