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City Officials Release Statements on WEDC Awarding \$750,000 in Tax Credits to Thermal Spray Technologies

SUN PRAIRIE, WI – Mayor Jon Freund and Council President Mary Polenske were on hand for the announcement by Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch and the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) that they were awarding Thermal Spray Technologies \$750,000 in Economic Development Tax Credits over the next three years.

Mayor Jon Freund released the following statement:

“Thermal Spray Technologies has been and continues to be one of the fastest growing and most innovative companies in our community. Their ongoing investment in facilities, equipment, and jobs here is a testimony to the business climate of Sun Prairie and the State of Wisconsin, and we are proud they have chosen to do business here. On behalf of the City of Sun Prairie, I congratulate Thermal Spray on their continued success, and offer thanks to Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch and WEDC for their investment in helping Thermal Spray continue to grow in Sun Prairie.”

Council President Mary Polenske also added:

“The City has worked with Thermal Spray on this expansion for the past four years, and we are thrilled that they are able to move forward with this project here in Sun Prairie to help them meet the increasing demand of their customers all over the Country. We are extremely grateful to Thermal Spray’s President Bill Lenling for letting the City be a partner to their efforts, and we look forward to continuing that relationship in the future for a long time to come.”

About Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation

The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) leads economic development efforts for the state by advancing Wisconsin’s business climate. WEDC nurtures business growth and job creation by providing resources, technical support and financial assistance to companies, partners and communities in Wisconsin. WEDC has four focus areas: business and industry development, economic and community development, entrepreneurship and innovation and international business development. Together with more than 600 regional and local business development partners, it represents a highly responsive and coordinated network.

For more information, go to: <http://inwisconsin.com/>

For the official press release from WEDC, go to: http://inwisconsin.com/press_releases/thermal-spray/

About Thermal Spray Technologies

Thermal Spray Technologies (TST) was incorporated in 1992 in Watertown, Wisconsin, and moved to Sun Prairie in 1994. TST is one of eight companies that are part of the Fisher Barton group. They specialize in the application of 19 different industrial coatings for a variety of customers and products. TST now employs about 125 workers and manufactures product-specific wear resistant and protective coatings that are used in the aerospace, electronics, agriculture, medical, oil & gas, automotive, power generation, papermaking, printing, food processing, and defense industries. They are currently in the process of expanding their CNC machining capabilities, and also provide heat treating applications.

For more information, go to: <http://tstcoatings.com/>.

About Sun Prairie, Wisconsin and the Sun Prairie Business Park

The Sun Prairie Business Park is one of the Greater Madison/Dane County's oldest and most successful business parks, and it consists of more 300 acres, more than 40 companies and more than 2,600 employees calling it home. Many of these companies are the City of Sun Prairie's major employers including Thermal Spray Technologies, InForm Product Development, Wisconsin Distributors, Village Hearth, Hallman Lindsay Paints, Colony Brands, Four Lakes Label, Trachte Building Systems, Soderholm Foods, Palmer Johnson Power Systems, Badger Graphics, Datastore, Imperial Blades, Madison-Kipp Corporation, and WPPI Energy.

Competitive advantages of the Sun Business Park include excellent access to transportation infrastructure including U.S. 151, 1-39/90/94, STH 19 and the Wisconsin Southern Railroad. It is also located within 15 minutes of the Dane County Regional Airport. Access to the greater Madison area is extremely easy. As a municipally-owned electric utility, rates and service levels are very competitive. Sun Prairie as a whole remains one of the fastest growing communities in all of Wisconsin with one of the fastest growing retail areas in the State, and growing neighborhoods with housing options for all income levels. It is also home to a \$100 million high school that ensures the future education needs of our students will be met for a long time to come.

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