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Mazak relies on Hemmer as it expands its national headquarters *Hemmer begins major expansion of Mazak manufacturing plant*

FLORENCE, KY. (August 1, 2013) – The Paul Hemmer Company will launch construction next week of a major expansion of Mazak Corporation's manufacturing facility in Northern Kentucky. Preparation and excavation work for that project started in July even as Hemmer was completing construction of a 7,750 s.f. office renovation project for Mazak. Mazak is moving this week into those new offices in its South Building on the Florence campus.

The two projects are among several that Mazak has called on Hemmer to manage this past year to facilitate Mazak's significant expansion of its North American Headquarters campus in Northern Kentucky. The overall expansion signifies a \$30 million investment by Mazak, a leading machine tool maker, in its national operations in Northern Kentucky. It enables Mazak to increase its production capacity to 200 machines per month and allows the company to bolster its customer service and support offerings.

Hemmer expects to begin foundation work on Monday on the major two-bay expansion of Mazak's manufacturing facility on its Florence campus. The 91,000 s.f. expansion will increase the plant size by more than 20 percent. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year.

Hemmer finished a 6,000 s.f. addition to the Mazak manufacturing plant last year that added a two-story engineering office to the facility. Hemmer also managed construction of two major expansions to Mazak's National Technology Center on its Florence campus last year. One expansion added a two-story 18,750 s.f. office to the National Technology Center that includes new customer-training classrooms. Another expansion added 12,400 square feet to expand the high-bay areas of the Technology Center.

"Mazak Corporation has partnered with Paul Hemmer Company for over 30 years on design and build construction projects at our North American headquarters based in Florence, Kentucky and across the U.S." said Brian Papke, President of Mazak Corporation. "This long-standing relationship is a result of Hemmer's ability to know our business and provide a finished product that meets our needs.

"Hemmer's design and construction team are involved at the very beginning stages of every Mazak new building, expansion or remodeling project, discussing how the building will be utilized and providing us with ideas and suggestions," Mr. Papke added. "Hemmer has successfully managed Mazak's projects to meet our expectations, budgets and completion schedules for a successful partnership."

Mazak also called on the Paul Hemmer Company in 2012 to manage construction of the \$6.1 million expansion of its Midwest Regional Headquarters and Technology Center in the Chicago area. Over the years, Hemmer has completed more than two dozen projects for Mazak Corporation.

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Mazak employs about 750 at its Florence campus. Its footprint will cover 800,000 square feet when its current expansions are finished. Its buildings sit on three of the four corners at the intersection of Industrial Road and Foundation Drive. (Mazak has a Florence address, but some of its larger structures are within the Elsmere city limits.)

Hemmer team members leading the manufacturing plant expansion projects at Mazak include: President Paul Hemmer, Senior Vice President John Curtin, Senior Project Manager Cynthia Sullivan, and Superintendent Joe Keller. KZF Design has coordinated all project design/architecture.

About Paul Hemmer Company

Paul Hemmer Company is a construction management, building services and real estate development firm with a history in the Tri-state dating back to 1921, when it began operation as the John M. Hemmer Construction Company. Reorganized in 1982 as the Paul Hemmer Company, it has since developed for sale and investment more than six million square feet of industrial, commercial and retail property. Specializing in design/build industrial, commercial, and retail construction, Paul Hemmer Company also offers real estate services, including site selection, leasing, sales, and property and asset management. It also is a partner in **Building Management Partners (BMP)**, a joint Hemmer-Messer enterprise formed in 2010 to provide building maintenance, management and analysis services to building owners.

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About Mazak Corporation

Mazak Corporation is a leader in the design and manufacture of productivity-improving machine tool solutions. Its world-class facility in Florence, KY, produces over 100 models of Turning Centers, Multi-Tasking Machines and Vertical Machining Centers, including 5- Axis models. Continuously investing in manufacturing technology allows the Kentucky plant to be the most advanced and efficient machine tool builder, providing high-quality and reliable products through its "Production-on-Demand" manufacturing practice. Mazak maintains eight Technology Centers across North America to provide local hands-on applications, service and sales support to its customers. For more information on Mazak's products and solutions, visit www.mazakusa.com.

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