Siemens Canada opens new manufacturing facility for Trench Limited in Pickering, ON

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New plant offers expanded capacity and R&D capabilities

Employees, special guests and dignitaries including Pickering Mayor Dave Ryan will be on hand today as Siemens Canada officially opens the doors to its newest manufacturing facility. The 190,000 sq. ft. office and plant location represents a significant investment by Siemens Canada and is the new home of instrument transformer production for Trench Limited, a Siemens company.

Increased product demand for the oil insulated instrument transformers led to the decision to build the new facility, allowing Trench to substantially expand existing production and build a dedicated high voltage testing laboratory capable of testing products rated up to 800,000 volts. The plant is also home to a Research and Development department designed to keep the company at the forefront of innovation within the energy sector.

More than 250 current Trench employees will be based at the new Pickering facility, with the potential hiring of additional employees based on sales growth expected in the coming years. In total Trench employs approximately 700 people in the greater Toronto area.

The Trench instrument transformers business is part of the larger high voltage products business unit within Siemens that develops, produces and sells products for power utilities, engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) companies and power intensive industries. The business unit’s extended global footprint of more than 20 manufacturing facilities across 13 countries makes it uniquely close to its customers.

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“Ontario is a great place to do business and manufacture our products. We continue to invest in the future of manufacturing here and throughout Canada and are optimistic about opportunities in each of our business sectors in this country.”

– Robert Hardt, President and CEO, Siemens Canada Limited

“The City of Pickering has been building a strong relationship with Siemens Canada for the good part of a decade. For this reason, I am thrilled with the grand opening of Siemens/Trench’s facility in our city. Pickering is regarded as one of the energy capitals of Ontario, and I thank Siemens/Trench for helping to strengthen this reputation now and into the future.”

– His Worship David Ryan, Mayor of Pickering

“We intend to use the training and knowledge gained in our Lean manufacturing program and spread this good practice to the processes within the new factory. As a result we will be able to serve both our domestic and global customers with better response times and improved service levels.”

– Reno Reinhold, CEO, Trench Canada Limited

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