Festo to Build State-of-the-Art Assembly/Distribution Center in Ohio

The new regional service center, scheduled to open in 2015, will assemble and distribute products to customers faster and more efficiently than ever before, while serving as a showplace for the effectiveness of Festo automation solutions.

HAUPPAUGE, NY, June 26, 2013 — Festo announced today it will build a state-of-the-art product assembly and distribution center in Mason, Ohio, about 20 miles northeast of Cincinnati along the I-71 technology corridor. The new Festo Regional Service Center, which is scheduled to open in 2015, will do double duty as a highly-efficient facility serving U.S., Canadian, and Mexican customers and as a showplace for the effectiveness of Festo automation solutions. Festo U.S. headquarters will remain on Long Island.

Ohio was selected as the site for the distribution center because it shortened the average distance to the customers of Festo and thereby will decrease delivery time of products. Plans call for a facility exceeding 170,000 square feet, a significant expansion over the present facility’s size. The expansion reflects overall North American sales growth. Festo also anticipates expansion of product
assembly activities, which will mean that a wider variety of components, electric and pneumatic motion actuation systems, and control platforms will be available to customers with improved lead times. Like the facility on Long Island, the new center will have Foreign Trade Zone status, which makes it faster and more efficient to support customers in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico from a central U.S. location.

“The Festo Regional Service Center in Mason, Ohio, builds on 40 years of service from the Long Island facility and is a natural progression in terms of needing more space and deploying products closer to customers,” said Richard Huss, president and CEO. “One of the most exciting aspects of this major project will be an emphasis on customer visits, a new opportunity to demonstrate on a large scale Festo integrated automation systems in action.”

For more information on Festo automation solutions, call Festo at 800-993-3786 and visit www.festo.com/us.

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Festo is a leading manufacturer of pneumatic and electromechanical systems, components, and controls for process and industrial automation. For more than 40 years, Festo Corporation has continuously elevated the state of manufacturing with innovations and optimized motion control solutions that deliver higher performing, more profitable automated manufacturing and processing equipment.

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