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Pace Industries' Airo Division Joins Company Stable of TS-Certified Facilities Airo's commitment to excellence leads to certification as 6th Pace division to earn certification for international automotive quality management standard

LOYALHANNA, Pa. and FAYETTEVILLE, Ark., April 24, 2014 – <u>Pace Industries</u>, North America's leading full-service aluminum, zinc and magnesium die casting company, announces that its facility located in Loyalhanna, Pa., recently received TS-16949 certification from the International Automotive Task Force. The certification better positions the Airo Division for increased opportunities to provide international automotive parts suppliers with top-quality, American-made parts.

"We've been ISO certified since 1999, and the TS certification is an enhancement to that, which will allow us to better serve automotive industry customers," said Dan Krinock, president, Pace Airo Division. "The system we already had in place was very close to the level of TS certification. Taking that next step to make it official shows our commitment to current and future customers in this growing industry."

TS certification supports a business philosophy built around quality, efficient delivery of products and a strong overall supply chain. Certification requires a rigorous audit process that measures past manufacturing performance data and internal auditing processes to ensure facilities can deliver products that are consistently safe and meet automotive standards. In addition, TS certification leads to a more efficient supply chain with a universal management system to streamline audits, decrease delivery times and reduce costs.

"For current customers, TS certification means that Airo has developed a more rigorous quality system that will ensure tighter controls are in place to assure product quality," said Mark Broadway, vice president of quality assurance, Pace Industries.

The Airo Division joins five other Pace facilities that feature TS certification: Pace St. Paul Division in Arden Hills, Minn.; Pace Harrison and B&C Divisions in Harrison, Ark.; Pace Chihuahua Division in Chihuahua, Mexico and Pace Grafton Division in Grafton, Wis.

More information on Pace Industries' individual divisions and capabilities is available at paceind.com.

About Pace Airo Division

Pace Airo Division was founded in 1975 and has since grown significantly. It currently serves a variety of specialized industries in a custom designed, 155,400-square-foot manufacturing facility. In addition to the customary services offered by die casters, the Airo Division provides specialized in-house operations such as tool design and construction, impregnating, pressure testing, chromating, painting and assembly.

About Pace Industries

Pace Industries is North America's leading full-service aluminum, zinc and magnesium die casting company. Pace is a solution provider, offering a wide array of capabilities and services, including: advanced engineering, tool making, prototyping, precision machining, assembly, finishing and painting. Headquartered in Fayetteville, Ark., Pace operates 10 divisions, 15 manufacturing facilities and has more than 3,200 associates across the U.S. and Mexico.

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