

OEM Trailer Business Unit

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NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT

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WEBB WHEEL OEM SITE ACHIEVES TS16949 QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Tell City, IN (March 2, 2009) The Webb Wheel Products OEM Business Unit manufacturing facility in Tell City IN has been awarded ISO/TS16949 quality certification. Vehicle component suppliers achieving ISO/TS16949 certification meet rigorous standards for developing a quality management system that provides for continual improvement, emphasizing defect prevention and the reduction of variation and waste. The Tell City facility is a green field site which opened in 2005. Kent Finkbiner, President of the OEM Business Unit congratulated the members of the Tell City team for accomplishing this important goal "We set the objective one year ago to upgrade our ISO certification to TS. It was a great focused effort by the entire team to accomplish that goal. We recognize that our TS16949 quality certification tells the industry that products manufactured at our facility are consistently of the highest quality. The entire team at Tell City feels the responsibility for meeting that objective."

Webb's OEM Business Unit Tell City plant produces hubs, drums and rotors for heavy duty trucks and trailers including the new Webb Vortex™ light weight gray iron brake drum. The patent pending Webb Vortex™ design has reinforcing center band and ribs resulting in a conventional gray iron brake drum that weighs less, but does not compromise the structural integrity, reliability, and braking capabilities expected in heavier drums. The advanced technology contour adds 15% to the surface area and conducts heat away from the brake surface for superior heat dissipation and maximum lining life. FMVSS 121 test results indicate that the Webb VORTEX™ runs 75° to 175° cooler than competitive drums, is structurally strong and has exceptional stopping performance.

Webb Wheel Products, Inc., headquartered in Cullman, Alabama is a Marmon Highway Technologies company that manufactures hubs, brake drums, and rotors for medium and heavy-duty trucks, trailers and buses. MHT serves original equipment manufacturers, highway transportation companies and the automotive aftermarket with a comprehensive line of products. MHT companies are members of The Marmon Group, an international association of more than 125 business units that operate independently within diverse business sectors and have collective revenues of \$7 billion. The Marmon Group is a Berkshire Hathaway company.

