

EFC International Acquires Technology Components Southwest

EFC International, headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri, is pleased to announce the acquisition of Texas-based fastener distributor Technology Components Southwest (TCS). EFC is one of the leading engineered fastener distributors in the U.S. The acquisition, along with other future targeted acquisitions, is part of EFC's plan for regional/global expansion, market diversification, and enhanced product/service offerings.

Technology Components Southwest, LLC, was formed in 2004 after acquiring the sales and distribution rights for Rivetnut Products in the Southwest region of the U.S. and Mexico border, including maquiladoras. Since then, TCS has added numerous strategic product lines that are some of the most recognized and respected worldwide manufacturers. According to TCS Partners Jimmy Brown and Tom Buddenbohn, "EFC's global footprint, differentiated value proposition, strong brand recognition and unique business strategy creates an exciting opportunity for our employees, customers, suppliers and business partners. We are proud to become part of such a world-class and successful organization."

EFC has locations in St. Louis, Chicago, Atlanta, Detroit, Guelph (Ontario), Querétaro (Mexico), and Shanghai (China). Matt Dudenhoeffer, CEO/president of EFC, said: "TCS' location and presence in the Southwest expands our coverage in that region, thereby enhancing our ability to service customers with local engineering support and inventory. The newly combined entity will benefit from numerous synergies that will accelerate growth as well as strengthen the value we bring to both customers and suppliers throughout North America and globally."

About EFC International

EFC International, established in 1983, is a market leader providing engineered fasteners and specialty components to the automotive, industrial and distribution marketplaces. Global coverage, technical product expertise, cost reductions achieved through VA/VE, supplier consolidation, customized inventory programs and exceptional customer service are cornerstones of EFC's service offerings.

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