

Earnest Machine Adds Domestic Hex Nuts to Product Line

Earnest Machine is now offering domestic hex nuts in response to increased demand for U.S.-made products.

“The federal Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 requires the use of domestically made products in transit projects that receive more than \$100,000 in federal money,” said Patrick Ginnetti, marketing director for Earnest Machine. “As the country’s infrastructure ages, maintenance and repair spending on transportation infrastructure continues to grow in the U.S., which means increased demand for products made here.”

While domestic nuts are required for federal transit-related projects, Ginnetti noted that they’re also specified in many other federally funded projects, such as energy, water works and military.

Earnest Machine will carry nine sizes of domestic hex nuts--ranging in size from 1/4-inch to 7/8-inch--in fine and coarse threads and a variety of finishes. Ginnetti said the company will also offer a variety of value-added services, including custom plating, drilling and slotting rework, broken case quantities, kitting and packaging, and branded drop shipping.

“One of the big issues with domestic hex nuts is that it’s extremely difficult to find them in low quantities,” said Ginnetti. “We can help smaller distributors get into the domestic nut market because we offer broken case quantities and can accommodate special selling requirements with custom kitting and packaging. And like everything we sell, they’ll be backed by our industry leading service guarantee.”

Ginnetti added that Earnest Machine is taking pre-orders now for domestic hex nuts and will begin shipping product in June.

Earnest Machine was founded in 1948 and is a global importer, distributor, and manufacturer of large diameter and hard-to-find fasteners for the agriculture, construction equipment, heavy transportation, mining, structural construction and wind industries. Earnest maintains warehouses, sales offices, and manufacturing centers in Cleveland, OH, and Wolverhampton, England, as well as warehouses in Atlanta, GA, and Indianapolis, IN.