

**Nelson Fastener Systems is Formed as a Single Source for Critical Fastener Manufacturing Technologies**

Nelson Fastener Systems (NFS) has been formed, creating a rebranded business unit that consists of six manufacturing entities: Nelson Stud Welding Inc.; Ferry Cap & Set Screw; Specialty Bar Products; EBC Industries; Automatic SMP; and Spiegelberg Manufacturing. They were formerly part of Doncasters Fastener Systems.

The establishment of the Nelson Fastener System family of companies brings together a variety of integrated manufacturing technologies with the global capability to provide turnkey solutions for critical engineered fastening applications required in the power generation, oil & gas, military, aerospace, transportation, marine, and construction markets. The six companies offer a wide range of compatible manufacturing technologies, including hot and cold forging, precision machining, screw machining, heat treatment, thread rolling, and complementary secondary operations.

Utilizing the globally recognized 'Nelson' brand name will enhance joint marketing efforts and engage the extensive global sales, and distribution network of Nelson Stud Welding to expand the sales and marketing reach of all six entities. As part of this strategic realignment, each company's logo will be updated to highlight a family branding strategy.

The formation of NFS will benefit all member companies, employees, and most importantly, their customers. This initiative will be supported by focused capital expenditures, to enhance and expand global manufacturing capabilities, and secure strategic acquisitions that will further enhance the customer experience by offering convenient, single source solutions for an expanding array of performance critical fasteners and components.

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