



KANE ROBOTICS SELECTS NEW MEXICO FOR ITS NEW HEADQUARTERS

Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 7, 2019 – Kane Robotics, Inc. today announced that it has selected Albuquerque, New Mexico, for the company's new headquarters. Kane will hire and train workers in Albuquerque to develop robotic systems that finish aerospace structures using technology developed in partnership with Build With Robots, LLC. Kane Robotics is a spinoff of Kane Aerospace, which is located in Chino, California. The company is planning to hire 20 new employees in the next two years to do design, manufacturing and testing.

Since 1958 Kane has provided manufacturing support to top-tier manufacturers in the aerospace and defense industry and was an early adopter of automated processes, said John Spruce, CEO of Kane Aerospace. "We were looking for a way to further automate repetitive processes and B.W.R. was able to offer us new technology that will reduce the time it takes our customers to finish products, increase productivity, and decrease waste," Spruce said. "I've built and grown a company before in Albuquerque and I know it will be the ideal spot for Kane Robotics thanks to its technical workforce. I've used JTIP (Job Training Incentive Program) funds before, and I expect to do the same with Kane Robotics."

Spruce was CEO of Mechtronic Solutions, Inc., an engineering and manufacturing firm, in Albuquerque that he sold in 2010. He acquired Kane in 2016 and has been growing that company's customer base by adding automation to its aerospace services, which include tool refurbishing, fastener recovery, and light assembly.

Build With Robots is an Albuquerque company that develops industry-specific solutions using CoBots, or collaborative robots, that help humans work more efficiently. The company is located within the Central New Mexico Community College FUSE Makerspace in Downtown Albuquerque where it showcases automation and robotic solutions.

"Our robots use the latest-generation technology to enhance productivity. We'll partner with Kane to produce robots that will do the dirty and dangerous tasks, freeing up the humans to be more productive," said Chris Ziomek, CEO of BWR. "Our robots will do sanding, drilling and cutting that is dangerous, dirty and monotonous for people."

New Mexico is an ideal location for Kane Robotics to grow thanks to its growing aerospace engineering talent and needs. "Companies like Kane Robotics are finding New Mexico to be an ideal location for advanced manufacturing and research and development, thanks to our deep supply of highly skilled scientific and technical workforce," said Tim Nitti, CEO of the New Mexico Partnership.

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