



Freeman Manufacturing & Supply Co.

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FREEMAN MANUFACTURING & SUPPLY ACQUIRES SPECIALTY WAX AND PATTERN SUPPLY BUSINESSES FROM PARAMELT ARGÜESO KINDT

AVON, Ohio—May 2, 2011—Today, Freeman Manufacturing & Supply Company announced the acquisition of several product lines from Paramelt Argüeso Kindt, most notably its pattern supply, jewelry wax, and dental wax businesses.

For decades, both Freeman and Kindt-Collins have manufactured the largest and most widely recognized brands in jewelry waxes, sheet waxes, and machinable waxes worldwide. Both companies are also widely known as two of the oldest North American foundry patternshop suppliers, serving the industry since 1902 and 1914, respectively. Last December, Paramelt Argüeso acquired Kindt-Collins, renaming the new operation Paramelt Argüeso Kindt.

The heritage Kindt-Collins investment casting wax products will remain with Paramelt Argüeso Kindt and continue to be produced in the Cleveland, OH site. Paramelt is the largest global manufacturer of specialty wax compounds to the investment casting industry and remains committed to leading the industry worldwide.

Freeman will immediately begin integrating its newly acquired product lines into its Avon, OH manufacturing plant as well as its twelve warehouse locations throughout the United States and Canada.

“While this is a great opportunity to expand our core pattern supply products, we are particularly excited about combining over a hundred years worth of expertise in specialty wax manufacturing and finding ways to improve nearly every aspect of our plant. This move ensures that Freeman will remain a global leader in our key niche industries well into the future.” said Matthew Turco, vice president of Freeman.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

For further information please contact Matthew Turco at 440-934-1902 x103. For more details on the company, visit www.freemansupply.com

About Freeman

Starting as a foundry patternshop in Maumee, Ohio in 1902, Freeman Manufacturing & Supply Company has evolved from reselling supplies to other local patternshops to becoming one of the world’s top manufacturers and distributors of what is referred to as soft tooling materials—consisting of urethane, epoxy, wax, wood, or silicone (as opposed to hard metal tooling). Now headquartered in Avon, Ohio, Freeman continues to be a global leader in manufacturing specialty waxes and polyurethanes as well as North America’s largest industry supplier with twelve warehouse locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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