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Metalworx Inc. Announces New Facility in Dorchester County
Investment expected to bring 25 new jobs to the area

COLUMBIA, S.C. – July 8, 2009 – The South Carolina Department of Commerce and Dorchester County today announced that Metalworx Inc. will locate its new facility in Dorchester County. The \$2.3 million investment is expected to generate 25 new jobs over the next five years.

“We are pleased to move forward with our expansion plans in Summerville. Our company has had great success in South Carolina during the past few years, and this expansion will help us meet growing customer demand. We appreciate all the support we’ve received from state and local officials,” said Michael Sawyer, president of Metalworx Inc.

The company will expand its operations in Dorchester County with a new facility that will allow it to streamline processes and add capabilities. Metalworx Inc.’s new facility will be about 24,000 square feet and be located next to its production plant in Summerville. The company has been recognized as one of the fastest-growing companies in the state for the past two years.

“Metalworx Inc. has been a true success story in the metalworking industry, achieving phenomenal growth in the past few years and being named one of the state’s fastest growing companies. Their decision to expand operations in South Carolina is a strong testament that our business-friendly climate and skilled workforce are working to encourage growth among existing businesses. Thanks to the team effort of state and local officials, Dorchester County will benefit from this investment with new jobs for its residents,” said Joe Taylor, Secretary of Commerce.

“We are extremely pleased that we were successful in competing for this expansion,” commented Jamie Feltner, Dorchester County Council chairman. “Metalworx is one of the fastest growing companies in the region and we are happy they will continue to call Dorchester County home.”

The company plans to begin hiring for the positions in the next three to five months. Anyone interested in employment opportunities can visit the Metalworx’s Web site at www.metalworxinc.com and apply online.

Metalworx Inc., established in Charleston 1997, is an industrial machine and fabrication company now located in Summerville. The company provides full-service conventional and production machining and metal fabricating services to the medical, steel, military, automotive and other industries in the Southeast. For more information about the company, please visit www.metalworxinc.com.

About S.C. Department of Commerce

As South Carolina’s leading economic development agent, the Department of Commerce works closely with economic development professionals throughout the state to recruit new businesses and jobs and help existing businesses grow. In 2008 Commerce recruited a record 18,993 new jobs and \$4.17 billion in capital investment. Many well-known names and world-class companies chose to invest in South Carolina during 2008, some of which include: Target Corp., Home Depot, Heinz, Monster, American Titanium Works, BMW, Michelin and URS Corp. Commerce also assists companies in locating buildings and sites in which to operate, offers grants for community development and infrastructure improvements and provides tools to enhance workforce skills. For more information, visit www.SCcommerce.com.

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