

News Release

Cumberland, RI – 07/15/2007

A Spokesperson from MRL Hydraulics LLC announced that they have put plans into place to construct a new blending facility and tank farm in Cumberland, RI to be completed during the 1st quarter of 2008. The new facility will increase MRL's capacity by a minimum of 10 fold. All current and future products will be blended in the new facility.

MRL took this capital intensive step to address issues surrounding the meeting of the anticipated demand and the maintenance of high quality assurance. The tight blending control that the facility provides, will guarantee the continuance of certification by third party regulating and certification organizations. The enhanced capacity will allow MRL to keep on hand the base products so that lubricants can be quickly blended on a system of "blend on demand". In other words; this eliminates the need to inventory finished goods and allows production to shift from product to product with ease, thus cutting the overall cost. Also, increased capacity allows MRL to purchase in larger quantities from suppliers keeping based product costs less expensive.

MRL selected the site in Cumberland for a number of reasons. The new facility will be located in a section of a renovated 160 year old mill. This allows controlling product process and storage in a carefully controlled environment. Cumberland, RI provides a good location to take

advantage of our primary suppliers. In addition, locating the facility there provides a boost to the local economy and tax base, especially in an area that has been hard hit with an out migration of business and jobs.

The new facility will also provide much needed space for administrative support activity.