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Harbor Castings, Inc. Employees Proudly Display ISO 9001:2000 Flag

Harbor Castings, Inc. of North Canton, Ohio held a flag ceremony on August 1, 2003 to celebrate their certification to the ISO 9001:2000 standard. Their Registrar, QMI, reviewed and approved Harbor's quality management system and issued a certificate on May 21, 2003.

Harbor Castings' history dates to the early 1960's, when brothers Karl and Josef Feist started Supreme Mold and Die, Inc., at the corner of Strausser Street and Supreme Avenue in North Canton, Ohio. Karl's invention of an investment-cast slide retainer for plastics injection molding led to the startup of an investment casting foundry, Kove Castings, Inc. Harbor Castings was incorporated in January 1992 by C. Richard Lynham after buying Kove's assets.

From concept to casting, Harbor Castings helps customers translate designs into durable, high-strength steel or non-ferrous parts, usually within six weeks. In the process, customers get **design flexibility** unparalleled by any other manufacturing method by eliminating many machining, welding, and fabrication operations. Harbor Castings works with over fifty alloys to obtain precise properties needed by their customers. This results in tooling and per-part costs that are fractions of what customers would pay using any other process.

KAVON International, Inc. helped Harbor Castings to create and implement a streamlined set of quality system documents. KAVON also provided training on "value-added" internal auditing, a methodology that emphasizes using the audit system to generate direct benefits to company performance.

For more information on making the transition to ISO 9001:2000, please contact KAVON International, Inc. at 888-637-9598.