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PLYMOUTH TUBE COMPANY ANNOUNCES KATHY BALOTA AS OPERATIONS MANAGER – EAST TROY, WI

EAST TROY, WI – Bill Henricks, General Manager of the East Troy, WI facility, announces that Kathy Balota has accepted the position of East Troy Operations Manager.

Kathy joined Plymouth Tube May 2006 as the Manufacturing Excellence Manager for both the East Troy, and Trent facilities. Prior to working with Plymouth Tube, Kathy was with GM and Delco Electronics in a variety of positions such Operations Manager, Industrial Engineering, Forward Planning, Production Control and Logistics. Her extensive experience with manufacturing operations will prove valuable as she moves into her new role at Plymouth Tube.

Kathy has a B.A. from University of Milwaukee and a Masters Degree in Manufacturing Management from General Motors Institute (now Kettering University). She is also a member of AME (Association for Manufacturing Excellence) and the Southeast Wisconsin Lean Consortium.

Kathy Balota can be reached via # 262.642.8537 or via e-mail at kbalota@plymouth.com

About Plymouth Tube Co.

Plymouth Tube Co. is a global tube manufacturer for the energy market offering austenitic, ferritic and superferritic stainless steels sized .500" to 2" OD's, Carbon and Alloy Boiler tubing sized 1.250" to 5.563" OD's. Plymouth Tube proudly manufactures SEA-CURE® Condenser, XtraLowStress® Feedwater Heater, Boiler and Oil & Gas Tubing.

Headquartered in suburban Chicago with 11 manufacturing plants across the U.S., Plymouth Tube Co. is positioned for continued global growth supplying the aerospace, transportation, energy, and industrial markets. Additionally, Plymouth Tube Co. Chicago Processing offers coil slitting as well as a wide variety of specialty edging options. Plymouth recently celebrated its 85th anniversary serving the steel tubing industry with continued manufacturing excellence practices and technical expertise that promotes industrial partnerships with many of their customers.

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