

Going Up: Wall Panels Set in Place for Air Motion Systems

In late March, prefabricated tip-up wall panels began arriving at the Air Motion Systems (AMS) construction in Whitetail Ridge Corporate Park (River Falls, Wisconsin). Last Fall, AMS announced the construction of a 35,000 square foot facility that will serve as its North American headquarters. Upon completion, the company will relocate from Arvada, Colorado to River Falls, Wisconsin.

The office and production facility is located on a 6-acre site in the River Falls business park. The site will accommodate an additional 30,000 square feet of space.

Derrick Companies (New Richmond, Wisconsin) is the general contractor and Elliot Architects (Hudson, Wisconsin) is the architect. Financing was arranged by Mainstreet Bank (Hudson office) through a Small Business Administration (SBA) 504 loan, in conjunction with Wisconsin Business Development Finance Corporation (WBD). A supplemental loan was provided by the Regional Business Fund, Inc., a consolidated loan fund that serves the 7-county region of west central Wisconsin. The City of River Falls provided Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) incentives for AMS. The company is also a candidate for state tax credits under the Technology Zone program.

AMS is the leading North American manufacturer of high performance ultra violet (UV) systems for the printing industry. The UV systems have application in the printing, packaging, and converting industries. Ultra violet curing is the fastest growing segment of the print market.

AMS was founded in 1997. Stephen J. Metcalf of rural River Falls serves as president and CEO. Metcalf and his business partner Hans Ulland are majority owners of the company. For more information, go to www.airmotionsystems.com.



above: Subcontractors are setting prefabricated concrete wall panels into place for the Air Motion Systems headquarters at Whitetail Ridge Corporate Park (River Falls, WI)

below: This is the rendering of the Air Motion Systems North American headquarters, comprised of 35,000 square feet of office and production space.

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