



## **EOS Selects Huntsville, Alabama for Flagship U.S. Manufacturing Facility**

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (June 6, 2018) – Electro Optic Systems Pty Ltd (EOS), a leading Australian technology company operating in the aerospace and defense markets, has selected Huntsville, Alabama for its flagship U.S. manufacturing facility.

The company made the announcement joined by state and city leaders at the Huntsville/Madison County Chamber.

“EOS’ decision to locate its new manufacturing center in Alabama is a reflection of the state’s attractive business climate and its skilled workers, who prove their capabilities each and every day,” Governor Kay Ivey said. “Huntsville will make a great home for the company because Alabama’s ‘Rocket City’ offers every advantage a business needs to succeed.”

“Huntsville serves as a critical hub for high-tech defense work, and that makes the city a smart choice for EOS as it develops a flagship U.S. manufacturing facility,” said Greg Canfield, secretary of the Alabama Department of Commerce. “We look forward to building a strong partnership with the company and seeing it grow both its business and its workforce in coming years.”

EOS, which is based in Hume, ACT Australia, operates in military space, missile defence and surface warfare sectors. Its products incorporate advanced electro-optic applications based on EOS core technologies in software, lasers, electronics, optronics, gimbals, telescopes, beam directors, stabilization and precision mechanisms.

EOS is a leader in the development and production of robotic or remotely controlled weapons systems (“RCWS” or “RWS”) where it has built a strong reputation as a major provider for over 25 years to the US, NATO and ANZUS markets. EOS products currently dominate the global market for next-generation lightweight weapon systems with unprecedented accuracy and firepower.

EOS will expand its RWS development and manufacturing capacity with a new facility in the U.S. to service demand for U.S. and export customers. After a nation-wide selection process, EOS has selected Huntsville as the expansion location, and is in the process of outfitting a state-of-the-art production facility at 2865 Wall Triana Highway. The Huntsville facility will be operated by EOS Defense Systems USA, an Alabama corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of EOS.

“EOS is a natural fit for the Huntsville community, and we’re pleased our new Australian partners chose Huntsville as their preferred place to invest and do business. This addition continues our momentum to add more manufacturing in support of Huntsville’s excellent research and development capabilities,” said Mayor Tommy Battle.

"EOS is very happy to have the opportunity to formally join the Huntsville community," said Phil Coker, the company's US President. "Northern Alabama is an area of incredible people, outstanding institutions and immense potential and we are thrilled to have the chance to establish a business in this area. We look forward to working with the Defense Department, Federal, State and Local government leaders and local businesses to improve the community and serve our country and its citizens."

Within the first year of operation, EOS expects to hire up to 100 full-time employees. The facility has been scaled to grow to at least 250 employees if contract awards continue on the current trajectory.

More information: <http://www.eos-aus.com>

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