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7 BEFORE THE STATE WATER
8 RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA

11 William R. Zimmerman,
12 Petitioner,
13 vs.
14 Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control
Board,
15 Respondent.

IN RE: LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
ORDER NO. R4-2012-0069

PETITION OF WILLIAM R. ZIMMERMAN,
PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA WATER
CODE SECTION 13320(a) AND
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS,
TITLE 23, §§ 2050 ET. SEQ.

17 I, WILLIAM R. ZIMMERMAN, Petitioner in the above-entitled matter, pursuant to
18 California Water Code Section 13320(a) and California Code of Regulations, Title 23, §§ 2050 et.
19 seq., do hereby petition the State Water Resources Control Board (the "Board") to review the
20 Order referenced herein. Based upon its review, I request that the Board (a) find that I am not an
21 owner/operator or responsible party with respect to Stainless Steel Products/Industries ("SSP"),
22 (b) determine that the Order is inappropriate with respect to me, and (c) direct the Los Angeles
23 Regional Water Quality Control Board ("LARWQCB") to rescind and withdraw the Order with
24 respect to me. In support of this Petition, I hereby declare as follows:

25 1. I am a resident of the State of California. I have personal knowledge of the matters
26 set forth herein and if called upon as a witness could and would testify as follows:

27 2. I am 85 years old and reside at 1675 Orlando Road, Pasadena, California. My
28 telephone number is (626) 577-1536.

1 3. On or about September 21, 2012, I received a letter from LARWQCB. The letter
2 was addressed to me as “Owner/Operator” of Stainless Steel Products (or Stainless Steel Products
3 /Industries (“SSP”) and referred to me as a “responsible part[y]” of SSP under the Order. A copy
4 of the LARWQCB letter is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

5 4. Accompanying the letter was LARWQCB Order No. R4-2012-0069 (“Order”).
6 The Order requires SSP and another party (Breeze-Eastern Corporation) to prepare and submit a
7 work plan to conduct a subsurface soil investigation to determine if any unauthorized release of
8 heavy metal compounds has impacted soils that could pose a threat to groundwater beneath the
9 site located at 2980 San Fernando Boulevard, Burbank, California (the “Site”). A copy of the
10 Order is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

11 5. The Order was sent to me without any prior notice and without an administrative
12 hearing before LARWQCB. Therefore, I did not have any opportunity to present objections to
13 LARWQCB prior to the issuance of the Order.

14 6. I am a trustee of a trust which owned all of the shares of Zimmerman Holdings,
15 Inc., a California corporation (“ZHI”). ZHI filed for bankruptcy protection in 2002, under Chapter
16 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (Zimmerman Holdings, Inc., United States Bankruptcy Court,
17 Central District of California, Case No. 2:02-bk-28981 (Judge Barry Russell)). All of the assets of
18 ZHI were liquidated in bankruptcy. A copy of the Notice of Bankruptcy Case Filing is attached
19 hereto as Exhibit C. The corporate existence of ZHI was suspended by the California Secretary of
20 State. A copy of a webpage from the California Secretary of State website showing ZHI’s
21 suspended corporate status is attached hereto as Exhibit D.

22 7. At the time of its bankruptcy, ZHI owned all of the shares of Stainless Steel
23 Products, Inc., a California corporation (“Stainless Steel”). Stainless Steel’s principal business
24 location was the Site.

25 8. In 1995, Stainless Steel sold its business and operating assets to Senior Flexonics,
26 Inc. Thereafter, Stainless Steel had no assets, no business activities, and no employees. The
27 corporate existence of Stainless Steel was suspended by the California Secretary of State. A copy
28 of a webpage from the California Secretary of State website showing Stainless Steel’s suspended

1 corporate status is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

2 9. I have no knowledge of nor was I responsible in any way for the use, storage, or
3 disposal of any hazardous wastes at the Site.

4 10. To the best of my knowledge, at the time of the sale by Stainless Steel, Senior
5 Flexonics, Inc. was owned by Senior plc. According to the website of Senior plc (located at
6 <http://senioraerospace.com>), the former Stainless Steel business unit is now known as Senior
7 Aerospace SSP and continues to operate at the Site. A copy of a webpage from Senior plc's
8 website is attached hereto as Exhibit F.

9 11. I have no ownership interest in, or position of authority with, Senior Aerospace
10 SSP or Senior plc, the current occupant of the Site. The Order is inappropriate because I have no
11 control or authority over SSP or the Site and therefore cannot comply with the terms of the Order.
12 In addition, any involvement under the terms of the Order would be a severe financial burden and
13 would jeopardize my physical health.

14 12. Based on a review of the foregoing and the exhibits attached hereto, I request that
15 the Board (a) find that I am not an owner/operator or responsible party with respect to SSP, (b)
16 determine that the Order is inappropriate with respect to me, and (c) direct the LARWQCB to
17 rescind and withdraw the Order with respect to me. In the alternative, I request that the Board
18 issue a stay of the Order to permit other parties in control of the Site to comply with the Order.

19 13. Because I did not have any opportunity to present objections to LARWQCB prior
20 to the issuance of the Order, if the Board denies my request in whole or in part, I request a hearing
21 before the Board to consider testimony, additional evidence, and oral argument.

22 13. A copy of this Petition has been sent concurrently to the Executive Officer of
23 LARWQCB.

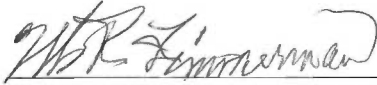
24 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
25 foregoing is true and correct.

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Executed on October 11, 2012, at Pasadena, California.


WILLIAM R. ZIMMERMAN

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Exhibit A



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GOVERNOR



MATTHEW RODRIGUEZ
SECRETARY FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

September 21, 2012

Ms. Sonja Donaldson
Acting Director of Environmental Affairs
Breeze-Eastern Corporation
35 Melanie Lane
Whippany, NJ 07981

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
7011 3500 0003 5491 1251

Mr. William R. Zimmerman
Owner /Operator
Stainless Steel Products
790 Huntington Circle
Pasadena, California 91106-4510

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
7011 3500 0003 5491 1350

Mr. James Galbraith
Owner /Operator
Stainless Steel Products
2600 Mission Street, Suite 200
San Marino, CA 91108

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
7011 3500 0003 5491 1367

SUBJECT: REQUIREMENT FOR TECHNICAL REPORTS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA WATER CODE (CWC) SECTION 13267 ORDER NO. R4-2012-0069

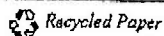
SITE: STAINLESS STEEL PRODUCTS/INDUSTRIES, 2980 SAN FERNANDO BLVD. BURBANK, CALIFORNIA (WIP FILE NO. 104.1002)

Dear Ms. Donaldson and Messrs. Zimmerman, Galbraith,

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) is the public agency with primary responsibility for the protection of ground and surface water quality for all beneficial uses within major portions of Los Angeles and Ventura County, including the above referenced property (Site).

Enclosed is a Regional Board Order for technical report requirements pursuant to the California Water Code (CWC) section 13267 (Order). Operations at the Stainless Steel Products/Industries facility included the use of hexavalent chromium, sodium dichromate, and chromic acid. Metal coating and finishing processes were part of the on-site operations. The soil investigation that was conducted in 1987 focused on VOCs and not heavy metals. The potential discharge and/or release of chromium based compounds to the soils at the Site, as a result of the past metal finishing operations, has not been determined.

California Environmental Protection Agency



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Galbraith
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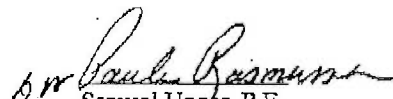
Based on the review of the Regional Board file information, we have determined that the past use of chromic acid in your plating operations may have contributed to contamination of the regional groundwater. Therefore, as the responsible parties, you are required to comply with the Order and prepare a subsurface soil investigation workplan (Workplan) for the facility.

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted regulations requiring the electronic submittals of information over the Internet using the State Water Board GeoTracker database. You are required not only to submit an electronic copy of the reports (in PDF format) required in this Order but also to electronically upload all reports and correspondence prepared to-date and additional required data to the GeoTracker system. Information about GeoTracker submittals, including links to text of the governing regulations, can be found on the Internet at the following link:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/electronic_submittal

Should you have any questions related to this project, please contact Mr. Larry Moore at (213) 576-6730 or at lmoore@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,


Samuel Unger, P.E.
Executive Officer

Attachment: California Water Code Section 13267 Order No. R4-2012-0069

cc: Ms. Lisa Hanusiak, USEPA Region IX
Mr. Leo Chan, City of Glendale
Mr. Bill Mace, City of Burbank Water Supply Department
Mr. Vahe Dabbaghian, Los Angeles Department of Water & Power
Mr. David Pettijohn, Los Angeles Department of Water & Power
Mr. Richard Slade, ULARA Watermaster
Mr. Michael Reese, First Industrial Real Estate

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
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Exhibit B



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GOVERNOR

MATT LEW RODRIGUEZ
SECRETARY FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

ORDER TO PROVIDE A TECHNICAL REPORT FOR
SUBSURFACE SOIL INVESTIGATION
CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTION 13267 ORDER NO. R4-2012-0069

DIRECTED TO STAINLESS STEEL PRODUCTS/INDUSTRIES
AND BREEZE EASTERN CORPORATION

STAINLESS STEEL PRODUCTS/INDUSTRIES
2980 SAN FERNANDO BLVD., BURBANK, CALIFORNIA
(WIP FILE NO. 104.1002)

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) makes the following findings and issues this Order pursuant to California Water Code (CWC) section 13267.

1. The groundwater within the San Fernando Valley Groundwater Basin has been impacted by heavy metals, specifically chromium. As a result of the groundwater impacts, we are investigating potential sources of the contamination. The current investigation, led by US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Regional Board, is focused on identifying individuals and companies responsible for the chromium contamination in the region and holding them responsible for the investigation and remediation of the affected site. The above Site is located in the investigative area, and therefore, you are required to comply with this order.
2. The site (Site), located at 2980 San Fernando Boulevard, Burbank, California, was developed and occupied by Stainless Steel Products/Industries (SSP) since 1952. The property is currently owned by First Industrial Real Estate, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois. The facility is occupied by Senior Aerospace SSP, a subsidiary of Breeze-Eastern Corporation of New Jersey, and a successor to Stainless Steel Products. In 1987, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Regional Board initiated an investigation at the Site to determine whether past operations had resulted in a discharge and/or release of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) to the soils. Operations at the Stainless Steel Products/Industries facility included the use of hexavalent chromium, sodium dichromate, and chromic acid. Metal coating and finishing processes were part of the on-site operations. The soil investigation that was conducted in 1987 focused on VOCs and not heavy metals. The potential discharge and/or release of chromium based compounds to the soils at the Site, as a result of the past metal finishing operations, has not been determined.
3. The CWC section 13267(b)(1) states, in part: In conducting an investigation, the Regional board may require that any person who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or, discharging, or who proposes to discharge waste within its region shall furnish, under penalty of perjury, technical or monitoring program reports which the Regional board requires. The burden, including costs, of these reports shall bear a reasonable relationship to the need for the report and the benefits to be obtained from the reports. In requiring those reports, the Regional Board shall provide the person with a written explanation with regard to the need for the reports, and shall identify the evidence that supports requiring that person to provide the reports.

MARIA MEHRANIAN, CHAIR | SAND UNGER, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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4. The Regional Board file information indicates that past operations consisted of Metal coating and finishing processes. Chemical compounds reportedly used at the site include hexavalent chromium, sodium dichromate, and chromic acid. To date, no subsurface heavy metals soil or groundwater investigation has been performed at the Site
5. The Regional Board file information in support of this requirement is the use of chromium containing compounds in metal finishing and coating processes. The file information indicates that SSP used 450 pounds of chromic acid (Alodine 120) to coat parts and 600 pounds of sodium dichromate to clean parts.
6. This Order identifies Stainless Steel Products and Breeze Eastern Corporation as the responsible parties for the discharges and potential discharges of wastes identified in paragraphs one (1) and two (2), because they were/are owners and operators of the facility directly responsible for the industrial processes involved the use and storage of the wastes at the property.
5. This Order requires the persons/entities named herein to prepare and submit a Work Plan to conduct a subsurface soil investigation to determine if any unauthorized release of heavy metal compounds has impacted the soils beneath the site that could consequently pose a threat to the groundwater.
6. The Regional Board needs this information to determine the subsurface soil conditions at the Site as part of efforts to identify sources of chromium contamination in the San Fernando Valley.
7. The burdens, including costs, of these reports bear a reasonable relationship to the need for the reports and the benefits to be obtained from the reports. The information is necessary to assure adequate cleanup of the SSP property, which as described above potentially poses significant threats to public health and the environment.
8. The issuance of this Order is an enforcement action by a regulatory agency and is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15321(a)(2), Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations. This Order requires submittal of technical and/or monitoring reports and work plans. The proposed activities under the work plans are not yet known. It is unlikely that implementation of the work plans associated with this Order could result in anything more than minor physical changes to the environment. If the implementation may result in significant impacts on the environment, the appropriate lead agency will address the CEQA requirements prior to implementing any work plan.
9. Any person aggrieved by this action of the Regional Water Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to review the action in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must *receive* the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date of this Order, except that if the thirtieth day following the date of this Order falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions may be found on

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Mr. Galbraith
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the Internet at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality or will be provided upon request.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Stainless Steel Products/Industries and Breeze Eastern Corporation, pursuant to section 13267(b) of the CWC, are required to submit the following:

1. By October 22, , 2012 submit a Work Plan for a subsurface soil investigation. We are providing a guidance document entitled "*General Work Plan Requirements for a Heavy Metal Soil Investigation*" to assist you with this task. This document is provided as Appendix B. Additional information can be found in our guidance manual entitled "*Interim Site Assessment & Cleanup Guidebook (May 1996)*," which can be found at the Regional Board web-site at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/remediation/may1996_voc_guidance.shtml.

In addition, your Work Plan shall be developed following the applicable components of the Regional Board's "*Guidelines for Report Submittals, Section VI. Site Assessment Plans*," (March 1991, Revised June 1993). A copy of the guidelines can be found at the following URL website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/ust/guidelines/la_county_guidelines_93.pdf

2. The Work Plan must contain a health and safety plan (H&SP), as per the guidelines.
3. The Work Plan shall include the detailed information of former and existing chromium storage, hazardous waste management, and associated practices;
4. The proposed soil investigation shall extend to a minimum depth of 25 feet below ground surface (bgs) at each investigative area i.e. at the plating process area and waste treatment areas, chemical and waste storage areas, (sumps, clarifiers, etc.).

The above item shall be submitted to Mr. Larry Moore at (213) 576-6730 or at lmoores@waterboards.ca.gov.

Pursuant to 13267(a) of the CWC, any person who fails to submit reports in accordance with the Order is guilty of a misdemeanor. Pursuant to section 13268(b)(1) of the CWC, failure to submit the required technical report described above by the specified due date(s) may result in the imposition of administrative civil liability by the Regional Board in an amount up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day the technical report is not received after the above due date. These civil liabilities may be assessed by the Regional Board for failure to comply, beginning with the date that the violations first occurred, and without further warning.

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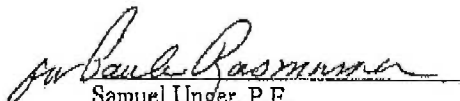
The Regional Board, under the authority given by CWC section 13267, subdivision (b)(1), requires you to include a perjury statement in all reports submitted under the 13267 Order. The perjury statement shall be signed by a senior authorized Stainless Steel Products or Breeze Eastern Corporation representative (not by a consultant). The perjury statement shall be in the following format:

"I, [NAME], certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared by me, or under my direction or supervision, in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The State Water Board adopted regulations requiring the electronic submittals of information over the internet using the State Water Board GeoTracker data management system. You are required not only to submit electronic copy of the reports (in PDF format) required in this Order, but also to comply by uploading all reports and correspondence prepared to date on to the GeoTracker data management system. The text of the regulations can be found at the URL:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic_reporting/docs/final_electronic_regs_dec04.pdf

SO ORDERED.


Samuel Unger, P.E.
Executive Officer

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Date

MARILYN McBRIDE, CHAIR | SAM UNGER, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Exhibit C

United States Bankruptcy Court
Central District Of California

Notice of Bankruptcy Case Filing

A bankruptcy case concerning the debtor(s) listed below was filed under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, entered on 07/03/2002 at 12:00 AM and filed on 07/02/2002.



Zimmerman Holdings Inc
P O Box 3570
South Pasadena, CA 91031
SSN / ITIN:
Tax ID / EIN: 95-3208819

The case was filed by the debtor's attorney:

Dean G Rallis Jr
Alston & Bird LLP
333 S Hope St 16th Fl
Los Angeles, CA 90071
213-576-1000

The case was assigned case number 2:02-bk-28981-BR to Judge Barry Russell.

In most instances, the filing of the bankruptcy case automatically stays certain collection and other actions against the debtor and the debtor's property. Under certain circumstances, the stay may be limited to 30 days or not exist at all, although the debtor can request the court to extend or impose a stay. If you attempt to collect a debt or take other action in violation of the Bankruptcy Code, you may be penalized. Consult a lawyer to determine your rights in this case.

If you would like to view the bankruptcy petition and other documents filed by the debtor, they are available at our *Internet* home page www.cacb.uscourts.gov or at the Clerk's Office, 255 East Temple Street,, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

You may be a creditor of the debtor. If so, you will receive an additional notice from the court setting forth important deadlines.

Kathleen J. Campbell
Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court

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Billable Pages:	1	Cost:	0.10

Exhibit D

Business Entity Detail

Data is updated weekly and is current as of Friday, September 21, 2012. It is not a complete or certified record of the entity.

Entity Name:	ZIMMERMAN HOLDINGS, INC.
Entity Number:	C1003018
Date Filed:	09/22/1980
Status:	SUSPENDED
Jurisdiction:	CALIFORNIA
Entity Address:	790 HUNTINGTON CIR
Entity City, State, Zip:	PASADENA CA 91106
Agent for Service of Process:	HANK PRAMOV
Agent Address:	RODI, POLLOCK, PETTKER & GALBRAITH, 444 SOUTH FLOWER, SUITE 1700
Agent City, State, Zip:	LOS ANGELES CA 90017

* Indicates the information is not contained in the California Secretary of State's database.

- If the status of the corporation is "Surrender," the agent for service of process is automatically revoked. Please refer to California Corporations Code section 2114 for information relating to service upon corporations that have surrendered.
- For information on checking or reserving a name, refer to Name Availability.
- For information on ordering certificates, copies of documents and/or status reports or to request a more extensive search, refer to Information Requests.
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Exhibit E

Business Entity Detail

Data is updated weekly and is current as of Friday, September 21, 2012. It is not a complete or certified record of the entity.

Entity Name:	STAINLESS STEEL PRODUCTS, INC.
Entity Number:	C0643741
Date Filed:	01/20/1972
Status:	SUSPENDED
Jurisdiction:	CALIFORNIA
Entity Address:	2990 NO. SAN FERNANDO BLVD.
Entity City, State, Zip:	BURBANK CA 91504
Agent for Service of Process:	*
Agent Address:	*
Agent City, State, Zip:	*

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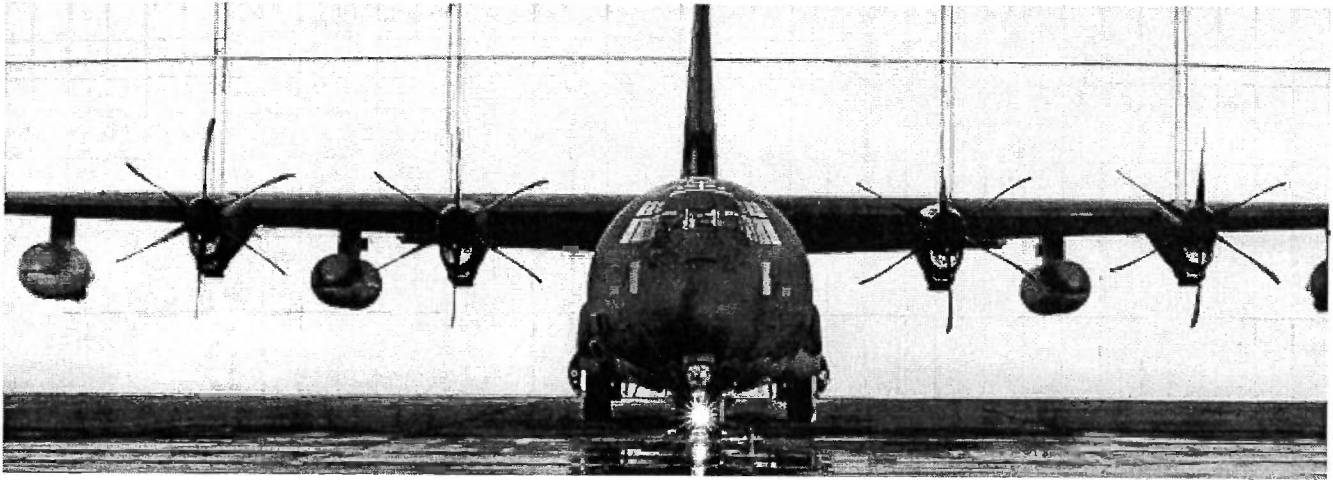
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Senior Aerospace SSP

Senior Aerospace SSP (formerly Stainless Steel Products) is part of Senior plc www.seniorplc.com – a group of international manufacturing companies with operations in 11 countries manufacturing and marketing components and systems for principal OEM's in the worldwide aerospace, automotive and specialized industrial markets.

SSP, as a recognized leader in the design and manufacture of high pressure bleed air ducting systems, provides a 'total resource' systems solution to complex ducting requirements. For more than 50 years, Senior Aerospace SSP has provided engineered solutions for the rigorous challenges of ducting system and precision sheet metal fabrications. As a system partner, SSP provides comprehensive engineering resources throughout design, development and qualification activities.

SSP offers airframe and engine duct system designs providing lighter weight, high performance solutions optimized to deliver the greatest total customer value. SSP's continual investment in its people and production engineering capabilities ensures our partners and customers receive the highest standards of service. Senior Aerospace SSP sets the standard in bleed air ducting system integration, providing forward thinking solutions for tomorrow's challenges. ©

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History of the Senior plc Group

The Senior plc group traces its history back to the 19th century with the business of Henry Hargreaves & Sons (now Senior Hargreaves Limited, based in Bury, United Kingdom). The business has changed significantly since that time into an international manufacturing group that designs, produces and markets high technology components and systems for the principal original equipment manufacturers in the worldwide civil aerospace, defence, diesel engine, exhaust system and energy markets.

Set out below are some of key events in the Group's history:

- 1933 Senior Economisers Limited was incorporated when a few employees of Green's Economisers Limited, including Senior's first Chairman, David Lycett Green, set up in opposition.
- 1947 Senior Economisers Limited became a public company and listed on the London Stock Exchange.
- 1958 Acquired Senior Hargreaves Limited (formerly called Henry Hargreaves & Sons).
- 1966 Senior Economisers Limited changed its name to Senior Economisers (Holdings) Limited.
- 1970 Senior Economisers (Holdings) Ltd was renamed Senior Engineering Group Limited.
- 1982 Senior Engineering Group Limited re-registered as Senior Engineering Group plc.
- 1983 Senior acquired Green's Economiser Group plc.
- 1991 Senior Calorstat SAS (formerly called Calorstat Industries SA) joined the group.
- 1992 Senior Automotive Bartlett with its operations near Chicago, Illinois, became part of Senior with the acquisition of Flexonics, Inc and its subsidiary Senior Operations (Canada) Limited (formerly called Flexonics Limited). Senior Automotive Crumlin, South Wales, established.
- 1994 Acquired Senior Berghofer GmbH (formerly named Christian Berghofer & Co KG) and Senior Aerospace Metal Bellows (formerly the Metal Bellows business of Parker Hannifin Corp.).
- 1995 Acquisition of the Stainless Steel Products business (now known as Senior Aerospace SSP, based at Burbank, California) and Ermeto-Hydexco SA in France (now known as Senior Automotive Blois and Senior Aerospace Ermeto).
- 1997 Sold the original economiser business upon the commencement of the Industrial disposal programme. Acquired the business of Senior Aerospace Ketema, based in San Diego, California. A South African automotive business is established in Cape Town.
- 1998 Acquired Senior Aerospace Bosman B.V. (formerly called Bosman Powersource Support BV). Gained control of Senior India Private Limited (formerly called Inalsa Flexonics Limited). Acquisition of share capital of Senior Aerospace Jet Products (formerly called Jet Products Corporation). Brazilian automotive business is established.
- 1999 The holding company changed its name from Senior Engineering Group plc to Senior plc. Acquired the entire issued share capital of Senior Flexonics Pathway (formerly called Pathway Bellows Inc.). Acquired Senior Aerospace BWT, Senior Aerospace Bird Bellows, and Senior Aerospace Composites, as part of the purchase of the Aerospace Ducting Division of Cork Industries Limited.
- 2000 A new automotive factory at Olomouc, Czech Republic is built. Strategy implemented to focus the Group primarily on the Aerospace and Automotive sectors. Commenced the disposal of various industrial businesses
- 2004 Completed the Industrial disposal programme which concluded the re-focusing of the Group as an international manufacturing group supplying to the original equipment producers in the worldwide aerospace and automotive markets.
- 2006 Acquired Sterling Machine Co., Inc. and Aerospace Manufacturing Technologies, Inc.
- 2007 Acquired Absolute Manufacturing, Inc.
- 2008 Acquired Capo Industries, Inc.
- 2010 Acquired WahlcoMetroflex, Inc.
- 2011 Acquired Damar Machine Company, Weston EU and Weston SEA