



## Press Release

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### Precision Molder and Contract Manufacturer Announces Liquid Silicone Rubber (LSR) Executives

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**Global precision molder and contract manufacturer GW Plastics** today announced their new executive management team of Mark Hammond and Jeff Hazen for GW Silicones. Mr. Hammond and Mr. Hazen come to GW Silicones from ENGEL Canada, where they were responsible for LSR injection molding machine sales and technical support.

Mr. Hammond joins the Company as GW Silicones' General Manager. Mark's responsibilities include overseeing sales, marketing and strategic business planning for the division. Mr. Hazen has joined the Company as GW Silicones' Technical Manager. Jeff's responsibilities include managing all engineering and manufacturing areas of GW Silicones.

Headquartered at the GW Plastics technology campus in Royalton, Vermont, GW Silicones offers highly-automated, Class-Eight clean-room molding, as well as quick turnaround prototype and production mold building, in addition to clean-room assembly services. GW Silicones' primary focus is on medical device and life science markets with an emphasis on the cost-effective combination of thermoplastics and liquid silicone to provide unique application solutions not often seen in the marketplace.

GW Plastics President and CEO Brenan Riehl is pleased to welcome these two LSR industry veterans to GW Silicones. "Many of our customers have approached us to supply them with LSR components to complement our traditional thermoplastic capabilities. Mark and Jeff come to us with the industry expertise to allow us hit the ground running." He adds, "Our ability to provide product design assistance early in the development process, combined with world-class, in-house tooling and global production capabilities allows us to offer innovative, high-quality, cost-effective solutions to our customers. We are excited about our expansion into the LSR market. We believe GW Silicones will bring considerable value to our customers as we continue to add to our growing portfolio of manufacturing capabilities around the globe."





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### **About GW Plastics:**

*GW Plastics is a global, high-precision injection molder, mold builder and contract manufacturer specializing in single-source responsibility for medium-to-high volume, close-tolerance components and assemblies. Ranked among the top 100 molders in North America, GW Plastics' leading-edge technologies, total quality commitment and pursuit of innovation have driven its steady growth since the company was founded in 1955. The financially strong, closely held organization services a portfolio of Fortune 1000 customers in the Healthcare, Consumer/Industrial and Automotive markets. In addition to the China facility, GW has four U.S. plants (two in Vermont; San Antonio, Texas; and Tucson, Arizona). GW also has a full-service production facility in Queretaro, Mexico.*

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