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Wieland hosts Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker at its East Alton manufacturing facility

On December 14th, Wieland, an industry leader in manufacturing and converting copper and copper alloys, hosted Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker at its East Alton, Illinois facility. Governor Pritzker was joined on the tour by Wieland President Greg Keown and other company leaders to discuss Wieland's role as a critical supplier of the electric vehicle, semiconductor, and U.S. military supply chains.

During the tour, Governor Pritzker learned about Wieland's history of more than a century in Illinois. Wieland's brass mill was built shortly after Franklin W. Olin founded the Equitable Powder Company at the location in July 1892.

Governor Pritzker shared remarks with guests of the event regarding Illinois's investment in developing the semiconductor and electric vehicle supply chains:

"I am proud to have the opportunity to tour Wieland today and see the innovation happening across the great state of Illinois," said Governor Pritzker. "Illinois is on track to be the best place in the nation to manufacture semiconductors and build and drive electric vehicles. Wieland is a perfect example of what makes Illinois different – almost no other state has a manufacturer who plays a critical role in both of these supply chains."

Wieland is one of the world's leading suppliers of semi-finished copper and copper alloy products. These products are integral to the semiconductor, electric vehicle, and U.S. military supply chains. In North America, Wieland has more than 2,700 employees in 31 facilities.

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"It was an incredible honor to host Governor Pritzker in East Alton," said Wieland President Greg Keown. "Wieland is at the forefront of the revitalization and sustainable future of American manufacturing – one that is more resilient than ever. We are making the investments and developing the best-in-class products that supply the industries that have defined American manufacturing for centuries, such as ammunition, and those that will define it for decades to come, such as semiconductors and electric vehicles. We look forward to continuing to work with Governor Pritzker and his administration on developing these critical supply chains."

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About Wieland

Wieland is one of the world's leading suppliers of semi-finished copper and copper alloy products. With a global network of production sites, service, and trading companies, the company offers a broad product, technology, and service portfolio. From prototype to series production, Wieland develops solutions for

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automotive, electronics, refrigeration, air conditioning, and other industries. Wieland uses high-performance copper materials to drive the success of its B2B customers in future-oriented fields such as electromobility, connectivity, and urbanization. High technical competence, customer-oriented thinking, and sustainability determine their actions and have been the basis of the company's success since 1820.

Wieland in brief

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Facts

*1820 in Ulm, Germany | Sales: 714 kt | Turnover: appr. 6.7 bn. € |
Locations: 80 | Employees appr. 8,800 [FY21/22 figures of the Wieland Group]

Executive Board

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