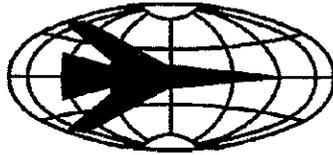


Whitcraft LLC

SHEET METAL FABRICATION & MACHINING FOR THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY



Good afternoon. My name is Colin Cooper and I am the Chief Executive Officer of the Whitcraft Group, a Connecticut based aerospace manufacturing company. Thank you for providing me the opportunity to give you our company's opinion on this historic agreement.

This is not only a terrific agreement for UTC and the state, but also for many of the businesses here in Connecticut who are partners and suppliers of Pratt & Whitney, United Technologies Aerospace Systems, Sikorsky and the other divisions of UTC.

I'd like to start today by telling you that I'm a Connecticut guy. I was born in Hartford, I grew up in New Britain, I live in Glastonbury and our company, the Whitcraft Group, is headquartered in Eastford, CT with additional facilities in Plainville and Farmington.

Whitcraft and its subsidiaries, CT Tool and Dell Manufacturing, produce complex sheet metal fabrications and precision machined parts primarily for the aerospace industry and we sell to customers across North America, Europe and Asia. We build parts and components for some of the most advanced aerospace systems in the world including Pratt & Whitney's F135 and PurePower[®] engine families, Sikorsky's Blackhawk helicopters and United Technologies Aerospace System's air management systems on the new Boeing 787 Dreamliner. Thanks in large part our relationship with UTC, Whitcraft is able to employ hundreds of skilled Connecticut technicians and engineers.

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Since its founding in Eastford in 1960, Whitcraft has been a Connecticut company and although we compete with suppliers worldwide, including suppliers in low cost regions such as Eastern Europe, Mexico and Asia, we remain here in Connecticut because of the skill, knowledge and ability of our workforce and the proximity to our major customers.

Approximately 3 quarters of the content of most jet engines today is manufactured by companies like Whitcraft and the scores of other small aerospace companies that dot the Connecticut landscape. Every week we have UTC engineers in one of our facilities, working with our engineers and technicians to develop critical parts for the next generation programs. UTC benefits by receiving our input on how to design for manufacturability and we benefit by developing experience on these parts before our competitors.

The fact that Pratt and UTC are making such a substantial commitment to Connecticut and they will be increasing their technical footprint here in the state going forward is good news to local small businesses like Whitcraft.

This is an outstanding announcement and one we are happy to be part of. I understand there were some long and spirited negotiations regarding this agreement and I hope to see state leaders take this bill up and pass it. I believe this agreement will provide benefits for the state for years to come.

As Pratt & Whitney transforms the jet engine and leads the aerospace industry with its PurePower[®] engine family and its position on the F-35 joint strike fighter program, these incentives will help ensure a large portion of this work is done right here in Connecticut.

Thank you.