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Thogus Products Companies Adds New Equipment *Down Economy is the Time for Investing in the Future*

Avon Lake, OH – Thogus Products Companies recently invested in new technology and machines to keep up with what is expected to be another very busy year for this 51 year-old plastic injection mold manufacturer. The company acquired a Nissei 720 ton injection molding press to accommodate growing requests from its customers for parts that require increased clamping capabilities. The company's previous clamping capability was 420 tons.

In addition, the Avon Lake-based custom injection molder has purchased seven servo robots to further automate their production floor and two Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM) machines for rapid prototyping and small volume production. The \$2,000,000 investment is intended to help Thogus better meet the needs of its customers.

Since 1998, Thogus has significantly increased custom production work. The company is led by third generation president, Matt Hlavin, who is always searching for new ways to grow. "At a time when most competitors are scaling back because of the down economy, here at Thogus, we have been investing in capital equipment, researching new technologies and building our brand," says Hlavin. "The addition of this 720 ton machine will allow us to not only offer more options for our existing customers, but it will help us to secure new partnerships in order to continue our growth plan."

About Thogus Products Companies

Thogus Products Companies is a custom plastic injection molder specializing in metal to plastic replacement solutions, tube and hose fittings, rapid prototyping and tight tolerance molding. Thogus' 76,000-square-foot facility in Avon Lake, Ohio is RoHS compliant and is QS9000/ISO9002 certified. The company employs 56 people, has 27 presses ranging from 25 to 720 tons, design and biomedical engineering capabilities, assembly and packaging services and tool building capabilities.



Caption: Thogus Products Companies first tool inserted in its new 720 ton machine.

High-resolution photo is available upon request.

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