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News Release

KNOWLES CELEBRATES BUILDING EXPANSION IN PENANG

Itasca, IL, September 10, 2008 – On Tuesday, August 26, 2008, Knowles Electronics Malaysia (KEM) celebrated the opening of its newly expanded facility in Penang, Malaysia.

In 1989 Knowles began operations in Penang with a single story factory consisting of 57, 500 square feet and about 50 employees. KEM was originally responsible for manufacturing coils for hearing instruments. The building was then expanded to 68,700 square feet in 1995.

Today KEM employs nearly 1600 employees and is the primary manufacturing and global process development center for Knowles microphones used in hearing instruments and specialty transducer applications. The newly expanded facility boasts nearly 186,000 square feet of which 30% is reserved for future growth. Knowles also has invested in 2 additional facilities in Penang, a Global Distribution Center and a World Class Precision Stamping Center.



About Knowles

Knowles is the world's leading manufacturer of miniature audio transducers, microphones, receivers, wax protection systems, acoustic dampers, and accessories for the hearing health industry. For more than fifty years, Knowles has researched, designed, developed and delivered technologically advanced acoustic products that improve people's lives. For more information visit the Knowles website at www.knowles.com or call 630-250-5189.

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