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## **Meridian Design Build Breaks Ground on 2<sup>nd</sup> Expansion for Morey Corporation**

Meridian Design Build has broken ground on an 81,000 square foot addition for electronics manufacturer The Morey Corporation in Woodridge, IL. Located within Internationale Centre, this expansion will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> building addition completed by Meridian Design Build for the growing company within the last 2 years.

Scheduled for completion in the second quarter of 2009, the expansion includes 45,000 square feet of temperature and humidity controlled manufacturing space, 28,000 square feet of raw material and finished goods warehousing, and 8,000 square feet of employee welfare space including restrooms, cafeteria space, and meeting areas.

As a part of the project scope, Meridian will be designing and installing a significant amount of in-floor electrical duct, gas distribution networks, compressed air piping, and anti-static flooring. Site improvements include 194 new parking spaces and 4 new loading docks.

"We've enjoyed a great working relationship with the Morey family over the past several years. It's been exciting to see a local manufacturing firm thrive and continue to add jobs despite challenges within the economy," said Paul Chuma, President of Meridian Design Build. The Morey Corporation currently employs more than 500 people and expects to add another 150 to 200 jobs with the completion of the facility expansion currently underway.

The design team for the project includes Oak Park based Schmidt Design (architect) and civil engineer, Vernon Hills, IL-based Manhard Consulting Ltd. Peter Stadler, Senior Vice President, is coordinating the project for Meridian Design Build.

For more than 70 years, The Morey Corporation has been the low-cost provider of advanced reliable hardened electronics. The company has long-term manufacturing relationships with industry leaders including Caterpillar Inc., International Truck and Engine Corporation, CNH Global N.V., and Rockwell Collins, Inc. Morey is at the forefront of innovation in electronic product development and manufacturing for the telematic, display, and controller markets. Additional information about The Morey Corporation can be found at [www.moreycorp.com](http://www.moreycorp.com).

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