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Tognum America's MTU Aiken Plant wins Carolina Careers Governor's Award for high school apprenticeship program

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Innovative new vocational education program recognized by state of South Carolina during annual Education and Business summit

GRANITEVILLE, S.C., July 10, 2013 – At the recent South Carolina Education and Business Summit in Greenville, Tognum America's MTU Aiken Plant was awarded the Carolina Careers Governor's Award – Private Sector Champion of the Year, for launching its new high school apprenticeship program. The award annually recognizes a South Carolina employer or organization that connects the workplace to educational institutions. Joerg Klisch, vice president of North American operations for Tognum America, accepted the award on behalf of the MTU Aiken Plant.

"This award is a result of Tognum America's partnership with Aiken County and the state of South Carolina," said Klisch. "The success we have achieved in implementing our apprenticeship program in South Carolina is a true testament to the dedication this community has for education. We aspire to continue the program's growth, and to be a model for businesses throughout the state."

With the help of the Aiken County Career & Technology Center (ACCTC), Klisch launched the program at the high school level in 2012 with six high school juniors. At the beginning of the 2013-14 school year this fall, the company will add six more students to the program, expanding the program to 12 apprentices per year.



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Tognum America and the MTU Aiken Plant were recently honored by ACCTC with another award. The company was named the ACCTC's Business Partner of the Year at its annual graduation ceremony on June 5.

In addition to the apprenticeship program, Tognum has partnered with other ACCTC skill areas to provide work based learning opportunities:

- Computer-aided drafting and design (CADD) provided landscape plans for facility grounds.
- Contract with Auto Detailing to maintain MTU Aiken Plant employee vehicles.
- Support of ACCTC's horticulture program to enhance MTU's Graniteville property.

The growing apprenticeship program is one aspect of the constant expansion taking place at the MTU Aiken Plant. This past spring, Tognum completed construction of a new 19,300-square-foot research and development center at the plant, capable of testing new diesel engines up to 4,500 kW (6,000 bhp), while simulating a wide variety of applications, load demands and environmental conditions. The plant manufactures MTU Series 2000 and 4000 diesel engines, primarily for the U.S. market.

About Tognum America

Tognum America is a Tognum Group company and is responsible for the manufacture, sales and support of MTU and MTU Onsite Energy branded products in North and Latin America.

With its two business units, Engines & Propulsion and Onsite Energy, the Tognum Group is one of the world's leading suppliers of engines and propulsion systems for off-highway applications and of distributed power generation systems.

The product portfolio of the Engines & Propulsion business unit comprises MTU engines and propulsion systems for ships, for heavy land, rail and defense vehicles and for the oil and gas industry. The Onsite Energy business unit supplies distributed power generation systems carrying the MTU Onsite Energy brand. These comprise diesel engines for emergency power, prime power and continuous power, as well as cogeneration power plants based on gas engines and gas turbines that generate both power and heat. Tognum's product portfolio also features medium-speed engines built by Bergen Engines and fuel-injection systems built by L'Orange.

In 2012, Tognum generated revenue of €3.015 billion and employed over 10,000 people. Tognum has a global manufacturing, distribution and service structure with 31 fully consolidated companies, more than 140 sales partners and over 500 authorized dealerships at approximately 1,200 locations. Since mid-March 2013, Tognum AG has been a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rolls-Royce Power Systems Holding GmbH, a joint venture of Daimler AG and Rolls-Royce Group plc.

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