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The Kiemle-Hankins Company

Kiemle-Hankins Earns Prestigious SKF Certification

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The Kiemle-Hankins Company recently attained SKF Certified Electric Motor Rebuilder status. As one of the largest providers of industrial repair and maintenance services in the region, Kiemle-Hankins now also has the distinction of being the only SKF Certified repair facility in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, or Kentucky. With 2006 sales in excess of \$50 billion, SKF is the world's largest producer of precision bearings and related components for industrial machinery. Achieving "SKF Certified" status means that the repair standards and methods used by Kiemle-Hankins meet or exceed the stringent quality requirements of SKF.

Kiemle-Hankins, founded in 1928, specializes in the repair and service of rotating industrial apparatus and maintenance for power distribution equipment and control systems. Areas of rotating industrial apparatus expertise include electric motors, pumps, blowers, clutches, generators, and dynamometers. The Company employs more than 100 highly skilled associates and provides services in one of five state-of-the-art repair facilities and at customer locations. Certification took place at the Company's Dayton facility.

SKF, founded in 1907, developed the Certified Electric Motor Rebuilder program to recognize repair facilities that have the highest quality standards and documented procedures for failure analysis, bearing installation, lubrication systems, and condition monitoring technologies. SKF Certified repair facilities provide industrial users the benefit of working with a repair provider that understands the importance of detailed failure analysis and proper repair procedures. Kiemle-Hankins associates underwent extensive training and numerous audits by SKF before the certification was awarded. Kiemle-Hankins is one of only ten repair facilities nationwide to have achieved "SKF Certified" status.

According to Tim Martindale, President of Kiemle-Hankins, "We are committed to helping our customers achieve the highest possible reliability, performance, and profitability. Finding and correcting the underlying cause of apparatus failure is the key to delivering on that commitment, and SKF Certification shows our willingness to take our capabilities to the next level. We're proud to have added this important mark of distinction to our long track record of leadership in all aspects of preventive and predictive maintenance." Going forward, Martindale expects to see the requirement for SKF or other third party certification in more customer repair specifications. "Our customers demand certainty of quality. Our 80-year history of excellence, plus certification from SKF, gives them that certainty."

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