

Tool Manufacturer FESTOOL is again expanding operations and facilities in Indiana, adding more 65 jobs

Second expansion in the Lebanon Business Park in recent years will increase facilities, including manufacturing, and create jobs; tool training expert joins

LEBANON, INDIANA, UNITED STATES, December 5, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The German tool manufacturer FESTOOL has announced its plans to invest in the expansion of its operations in Lebanon, Indiana, which is expected to add another 65 jobs.

This is the second major investment in recent years. FESTOOL built its North American headquarters in Lebanon in 2006 and completed a significant expansion in 2015.



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The FESTOOL brand continues to grow among professional tool users, residential contractors, painters, remodelers and woodworkers. Construction of the new facilities is scheduled to begin in November and should be completed by December 2019.

Chief Sales Officer [Aaron Brading](#) notes that the company is adding highly skilled personnel to provide training and guidance. “I am very pleased that one of our training experts from Europe will soon join us. Mr. [Steeve Cachelou](#) is highly experienced in our FESTOOL tools and has trained users for years. He is currently serving the Paris/France

region, but will soon join us to support sales and training activities. Since [Mr. Cachelou](#) speaks French, we will be able to provide French-language training in the French-speaking parts of Canada (Quebec).”

The expansion includes a real property investment and a personal property investment. It will add 80,000 square feet to the current business premises and include corporate offices, logistics, and manufacturing facilities. As a result, about 65 new local jobs will be created with average salaries of \$25 per hour, plus benefits. This will help expand the local tax base in Boone County.

“FESTOOL is excited to once again expand its facilities in Lebanon,” said FESTOOL USA CEO Ole Held. “The qualities that drew us to Lebanon 11 years ago have only improved over the years and were a key factor in our decision-making process.”

FESTOOL currently occupies about 100,000 square feet of space at its headquarters in Lebanon. The 80,000-square-foot expansion of the building will primarily be used for assembly and distribution, although it will include some office uses as well.

About FESTOOL USA

Festool USA is a unit of Germany-based Festool Group GmbH & Co., a subsidiary of TTS Tooltechnic Systems AG, a holding company that also owns Honeywell protection equipment and Tyrolt cutting and grinding tools.

Founded in Germany in 1925, Festool moved its North American headquarters to Lebanon, Indiana, in 2006. In 2015, it doubled that facility's size. Last year, Festool began manufacturing its FS Guide Rails, using U.S.-sourced material, at the Lebanon campus and has plans to further expand its Indiana manufacturing operations. The company projects that 65 new jobs will be created by the facility expansion, as it continues to offer a comprehensive lineup of power tools and system accessories, designed to boost productivity through efficiency and high



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About Steeve Cachelou

Steeve is currently a Tool Demonstration Expert and Trainer at FESTOOL France (Paris Region). He will join FESTOOL USA to support training and sales events. Plans and conducts Festool demonstrations for professional users in Paris/France area. Assignments include: Presentation of promotion, demonstration and sale of all Festool products portfolio - Train employees, sales managers, commercial customers in Festool tool use, new applications, new features -Instruct professional tradesmen and other uses in Festool use and applications, teaches new techniques - Develops and Implements Sales Plans for Festool products within professional distribution network, sales to professional users. See: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/steeve-cachelou-60a15355/?originalSubdomain=fr>

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