

SAF-HOLLAND Announces Plans to Build a New Specialty Fifth Wheel Manufacturing Facility in Texas

Muskegon, Michigan, April 16, 2024 – SAF-HOLLAND, a leading global manufacturer of heavy-duty commercial vehicle components, is pleased to announce plans to build a new manufacturing facility in Rowlett, Texas.

The new Rowlett facility is the second phase of the SAF-HOLLAND manufacturing optimization and vertical integration strategy to increase capacity output that began with the opening of its Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico plant last August.

The new facility, focused on high complexity, high variation specialty fifth wheel manufacturing, will include the current SAF-HOLLAND Wylie, Texas operation. After nearly 50 years, producing over 3 million fifth wheels, the Wylie operation will move to the new facility after construction.

Located eight miles from Wylie, the new facility will be staffed by its highly skilled, versatile Wylie team in addition to regional offices for advanced manufacturing engineering, product line management, and continuous improvement groups.

Starting production August 31, 2025, the new facility's modern design and features include a full plant HVAC and general advancements in manufacturing optimization that will produce the FW70, specialty FW35 including no-tilt, Kompensator and ELI-te, and terminal tractor fifth wheels.

"We are excited about this important strategic step toward our future," said Kent Jones, president – Americas for SAF-Holland. "Investing in new facilities like the Rowlett plant enables us to not only meet additional customer demand but provide a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility designed with our employees in mind."

PHOTO: <SAF-HOLLAND specialty fifth wheel manufacturing facility plan in Rowlett, Texas>

About SAF-HOLLAND Group

SAF-HOLLAND Group is one of the largest independent listed suppliers to the heavy-duty commercial vehicle market with sales of approximately EUR 2.11 billion in 2023. The Company manufactures and supplies chassis-related systems and components primarily for trailers, trucks, buses, and recreational vehicles. The product range comprises axle and suspension systems, fifth wheels, kingpins, and landing gear marketed under the brands SAF, Haldex, Holland, Neway, KLL, V.Orlandi, and York. SAF-

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HOLLAND sells its products to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) on six continents. The Group's Aftermarket business supplies spare parts to the service networks of Original Equipment Suppliers (OES), as well as to end customers and service centers through its extensive global distribution network. SAF-HOLLAND is one of the few suppliers in the truck and trailer industry that is internationally positioned in almost all markets worldwide. More than 6,000 committed employees worldwide are already today working on the future of the transportation industry.

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