

Plant Acquisition/Relocation Brings Jobs Back From Mexico

Sioux Chief Now Manufacturing Brass Fittings, Vinyl Tubing & Brass Tubular In Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, MO, August 18, 2016 – Sioux Chief is pleased to announce that the relocation of our Nogales, Mexico plant to Kansas City, Missouri, has been completed with the final pieces of vinyl tube manufacturing equipment now installed into the new location. The facility is now operating at full capacity.

“It’s been a major undertaking moving from one country to another, but our pre-planning really paid off,” says Joe N. Ismert, President of Sioux Chief Manufacturing. “We are getting up to speed and production is getting better each day.”

The Nogales plant was acquired along with two other plants when the rough plumbing manufacturer purchased Watts non-core product line in September 2015, consisting of assets related to its brass fittings, brass & tubular and vinyl tubing product lines.

“The integration of Watts product lines was critical for us,” says Ismert. “The product overlap and the manufacturing competency will absolutely help add to our presence as a manufacturer and leverage our ability to produce world class products.”

This move further demonstrates Sioux Chief’s ongoing commitment to manufacturing the majority of its SKUs in the USA and gaining control over the entire manufacturing process to guarantee the highest quality.

“Being located in the heart of the United States is both desirable and more efficient logistically,” Ismert stated. “It allows us to respond quickly to our customer’s demands—and now, as part of our American operation, we’ll have greater opportunities to innovate this category.”

Additionally, the relocation has provided **Sioux Chief** with the opportunity to add an additional 30 dedicated, hardworking Americans to the company family.

“We’re so pleased to be able to employ even more Americans with the move,” adds Ismert. “The movers that helped with the relocation told us it’s the first time in 30 years that they’ve moved an operation from Mexico to America. That makes us proud.”

More About Sioux Chief:

Since 1957, Sioux Chief has manufactured innovative plumbing products. It is a leader in providing rough plumbing solutions for residential, commercial, industrial and government applications. Sioux Chief’s comprehensive product line is comprised of three core groups: Supply, Drainage and Support. Sioux Chief products are sold to qualified wholesale distributors and retailers worldwide. The company is headquartered in Peculiar, Missouri — just outside of Kansas City.

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