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Laddawn, Inc. Partners with Gloucester Engineering for Expansion in Nevada

Gloucester, MA, October 7, 2011 -- Gloucester Engineering announced it has received multiple orders from Laddawn, Inc. to provide equipment to Laddawn's new facility in Sparks, Nevada. Laddawn purchased a new 104" wide blown film line from Gloucester Engineering in August 2011. Following quickly upon this order, Gloucester was awarded an order for four bag machines that will also go to the Nevada facility.

The primary end products that will be manufactured by the Gloucester Engineering equipment include sheeting and in-line bags. The equipment being supplied by Gloucester has a nameplate capacity of approximately 10,000,000 pounds per year.

Gloucester Engineering received these multiple orders from Laddawn for a number of reasons. For example, the 104" blown film line was very similar to a very productive line Laddawn had previously purchased from GEC. The new site in NV is subject to seismic 4 constraints and the fact that Gloucester's engineering department quickly addressed a variety of seismic issues surrounding the design of the blown film tower and its integration into the new building differentiated Gloucester's approach. In addition, Gloucester was able to commit to Laddawn's aggressive delivery schedule requirements in order to maximize their return on investment. Gloucester received the order for the multiple bag machines due to the ease of use and robustness of the GEC 4180 S servo bag machine.

Gloucester and Laddawn have a long history of working together. Gloucester has supplied a significant amount of the equipment used in Laddawn's Iowa & Dallas facilities, which continue to run very successfully.

Randy Kinnear, Purchasing & Industrial Development Manager for Laddawn, noted, "The GEC extrusion lines are workhorses that just keep pushing pounds, year after year after year. The Laddawn team has had a positive relationship with Gloucester for years and they were the obvious choice for the new expansion for both extrusion and converting needs."

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“We are extremely proud to continue advancing our relationship with Laddawn,” said Carl Johnson of Gloucester. “We appreciate their confidence in Gloucester and are certain the equipment they have purchased will exceed their expectations.”

About Laddawn, Inc.

Laddawn Inc. is a privately-owned manufacturer of polyethylene bags, film and tubes that it distributes throughout the United States. Laddawn is headquartered in Devens, MA, and has manufacturing operations in Massachusetts, Iowa, Texas and Nevada.

About Gloucester Engineering Co.

Since its inception in 1961, Gloucester Engineering Co. has been a global leader in advancing quality and production limits in the plastics extrusion and converting market. GEC offers a range of innovative system and component solutions, for both new lines and retrofits, that provide customers a competitive edge in applications that include bag making, foam and sheet extrusion, blown and cast film extrusion and extrusion coating. GEC manufactures its equipment from its headquarters in Gloucester, MA, and through its joint-venture company in Damman, India, Kabra Gloucester Engineering.

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