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## HED Breaks Ground on New Facility

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### **New Production, Headquarters Facility to Double Current Building Size**

(Hartford, WI) – Hydro-Electronic Devices (HED), Inc., makers of the CANLink® brand of multiplexed electronic controls, broke ground on what will become a 20,000 square foot production and headquarters building one block away from the current facility located at 1715A Innovation Way in Hartford Wisconsin. The purpose-built facility, which will be located at 2120 Constitution Avenue, will double the square footage for production and office space, and is designed to meet capacity needs to accommodate continued growth among current and new customers and markets.

The company has more than doubled in sales in the last 10 years on the strength of a high quality and diversified product offering as well as increased use of electronic controls on vehicles in both on-highway and off-highway markets.

“It is our intention to surpass that growth rate in the next ten years,” stated Carl Riggio, Chief Executive Officer for HED.

From modest beginnings with 4 employees in rented space above an auto museum on Rural Street in Hartford in 1986, HED employed 18 when it moved to the current facility in Dodge Industrial Park. Now with 35 employees, the Wisconsin company’s move to the new building will enable further expansion.

“HED is a company that was born, and has grown, as a Hartford based business enterprise. So it is with a great deal of civic pride that we are celebrating this milestone,” commented Riggio.

Both the current lot size and building design were chosen for the ability to accommodate further expansion in the future. HED forecasts occupancy of the new building in the spring of 2007.

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**HED in brief:**

HED is a leading supplier of state-of-the-art electronic control and multiplex technology for on-highway and off-highway mobile vehicle applications. From stand-alone products to integrated vehicle control systems, HED offers both standard products and completely custom solutions, including a range of over 30 unique control modules in the CANLink® family.

Programmable either by HED or the customer, CANLink® modules are designed for use with do-it-yourself software tools including CANLink® Composer™ for programming stand alone modules or full multiplex systems, CANLink® Conductor™ for diagnosing programming logic and troubleshooting vehicle systems in the field, and CANLink® Tuner™ for fine tuning input device signal ranges either at the end of the production line or to calibrate field replacements.

The HED headquarters for product design, manufacturing, sales and service is located in Hartford, Wisconsin USA and is ISO 9001-2000 certified.

Contact HED for a free copy of the new brochure on the expanded CANLink® family.

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