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NTN BOWER – NEW PLANT EXPANSION

Macomb, Illinois – NTN Bower Corporation, a major manufacturer of tapered and cylindrical roller bearings broke ground today for the company's new 240,000 square foot plant expansion. The \$100 million investment includes the building as well as the addition of new product lines. The new plant is being built directly east of their existing operations and will create 80 new full-time manufacturing positions.

Mr. Kunio Kamo, President, NTN Bower Corporation, said, "NTN Bower is very pleased to be expanding operations in Macomb. The new plant expansion was based on an increased demand for our 4-8 inch tapered roller bearings." Kamo credited today's groundbreaking ceremony to their employees' loyalty to excellence and strong work ethic.

Dave Schollhammer, General Manager, Human Resources, said, "The new plant is a tribute to the daily success and efforts of our NTN Bower employees and would not have been possible without their support and hard work."

NTN Bower manufactures roller bearings for the construction machinery, agricultural machinery, automotive and machine tool industries. Roller bearings have been manufactured in Macomb, Illinois since 1965.

NTN Bower was formed by a joint venture between Federal Mogul Corporation and NTN Corporation (Osaka, Japan) in 1985. NTN Bower became wholly-owned by NTN Corporation in 1987.

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