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### **FURUNO U.S.A. CELEBRATES 10 YEARS OF GROWTH AT THEIR DENTON, MD FACILITY**

#### **Company Adds on 30,000 Square Feet to Expand Their East Coast Facility**

In 1989, Furuno U.S.A. opened their Denton, MD facility to better serve the East Coast market with quality marine electronics. Top management at Furuno Electric Company in Nishinomiya City, Japan and Furuno U.S.A. recognized the East Coast as a strong sector of the U.S. market and it was essential to have a branch there to support the marketplace.

Ten years later, this potential has been realized in ways that even Furuno management couldn't have foreseen. A combination of consistent product innovation and aggressive American management has resulted in a decade of steady improvement, success and growth. The culmination of this success is Furuno U.S.A.'s expansion this year into a newly renovated, 60,000 sq. foot state-of-the-art facility in Denton, MD.

"Our newly renovated Denton facility is both a monument to our past success and a solid foundation for our future," said James Atteridge, President of Furuno U.S.A. "Together, with our Denton facility and our headquarters in Camas, Washington, we are well positioned going into the next century."

Furuno U.S.A.'s Denton facility was christened with an open house celebration that included a ribbon cutting by Furuno Electric Company Chairman and CEO, Shigeru Kunitomo, Furuno U.S.A. President, Jim Atteridge and government officials from local and state levels. The ribbon cutting was followed by dedication speeches, a short video detailing the company's 20-year history and tours of the facility.

In 2000, Furuno U.S.A. offers the most extensive line of professional marine electronics in the industry. Furuno U.S.A. manufactures advanced, reliable marine electronics for all types of vessels, including radar, navigation equipment, sonar, depth sounders, communications, GMDSS equipment and more.

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