

Tower Metalworking Fluids Announces Major Investment in New Research & Development Center and Quality Control Laboratory

State - of - the - Art Facilities Strengthen Innovation, Quality, Customer Support, and Future Growth

CHICAGO, IL — Tower Metalworking Fluids is proud to announce the completion of two major capital investments designed to strengthen the company's commitment to innovation, quality, and customer success: a newly constructed **Research & Development Center** and an expanded **Quality Control Laboratory**.

Together, these facilities represent a strategic investment in the future of metalworking fluid technology, enabling Tower to accelerate product development, enhance quality assurance, improve responsiveness to customer needs, and support continued growth.



"The investments we make in our people, processes, and technology directly translate into better outcomes for our customers," said Scott Prince, President and CEO of Tower Metalworking Fluids. "Our new Research & Development Center and Quality Control Laboratory position us to innovate faster, strengthen quality, and deliver an even higher level of service."

Advancing Innovation Through a Dedicated Research & Development Center

The new Research & Development Center brings together advanced analytical equipment in a dedicated environment focused on the development of next-generation metalworking fluids. The space enhances collaboration, streamlines testing, and improves workflow efficiency.

New equipment includes a Four-Ball Wear & EP Tester, Twist Compression Tester, Tap Torque Tester, Turbiscan Stability Analyzer, and X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) Spectroscopy, providing comprehensive evaluation of fluid performance, stability, lubricity, and elemental chemistry.

These capabilities enable Tower to solve customer challenges more quickly, develop customized solutions, and accelerate the introduction of new technologies.



Elevating Product Quality Through a New Quality Control Laboratory

Complementing the R&D investment, Tower's new Quality Control Laboratory enhances precision, consistency, and process control throughout manufacturing.

The laboratory provides faster analytical testing, improved data collection, and tighter quality controls to ensure every batch meets Tower's rigorous standards before reaching customers. It also strengthens collaboration between Quality, Manufacturing, Technical Services, and R&D, creating a seamless connection between product development and production.

Creating Value for Employees and Customers

These investments provide employees with modern analytical tools and work environments that support innovation and operational excellence while delivering meaningful benefits to customers, including faster product development, more responsive technical support, enhanced product consistency, and stronger quality assurance.

Investing in the Future

The new Research & Development Center and Quality Control Laboratory reflect Tower's long-term commitment to advancing metalworking fluid technology and helping customers succeed.

By investing in advanced technology, scientific expertise, and modern infrastructure, Tower continues to strengthen its ability to develop industry-leading solutions while delivering the quality, performance, and service customers have trusted for more than 90 years.

About Tower Metalworking Fluids

Since 1933, Tower Metalworking Fluids has been a leading developer and manufacturer of high-performance metalworking fluids, serving customers across machining, grinding, stamping, tube and pipe manufacturing, and other precision metalworking applications. Through a commitment to innovation, quality, sustainability, and customer partnership, Tower delivers solutions that improve productivity, quality, and operational performance worldwide.