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## **Associated Spring Announces Opening of New Innovation and Technology Center**

**Plymouth, MI, December 18, 2014** – Associated Spring (AS), a business of Barnes Group Inc. (NYSE: B), and an industry leader and pioneer in engineered precision spring and stamping solutions, is pleased to announce the opening of its new Innovation and Technology Center (AS ITC) in Plymouth, MI. With this new facility, Associated Spring solidifies its commitment to innovation and market leadership in engineered precision spring solutions for its customers worldwide. In addition to the AS ITC, Associated Spring operates seven other global manufacturing and engineering divisions: four in the U.S. (Bristol, CT; Corry, PA; Milwaukee, WI and Syracuse, NY), one in Mexico, one in Brazil, and one in Singapore - with an eye for future additional footprint growth.

The new AS ITC will house Associated Spring's global headquarters, as well as its world-class metallurgical lab, and product/process and research and development (R&D) areas. Additionally, it will serve as a production center for high performance/racing, drag racing, and circle track racing springs, and other aftermarket applications.

The AS ITC will also be a hub of New Product and Process Development (NPD), spring training events, technology benchmarking, and other customer/market focused initiatives. With the new Plymouth AS ITC location, Associated Spring's Engineering and Sales teams will be closer to many of its local customers that are launching strategic platforms such as 8-, 9-, and 10-speed automotive automatic transmissions that benefit from the precision and value added engineering that AS provides to its customers. Furthermore, in partnership with its domestic and global divisions, the AS ITC will support its industrial customers with key

technological advances, serving multiple markets such as transportation, aerospace/defense, construction/mining, diesel powertrain, race/performance, energy, medical, HVAC/compressor, consumer products, telecommunications/electronics and general industrial.

Associated Spring's commitment to technological breakthroughs spans beyond the new ITC and is present throughout its manufacturing and engineering locations. Since 1857, Associated Spring has been recognized for its innovation in spring design, engineering and manufacturing. Over the past several decades, AS has demonstrated a strategic commitment to developing/adapting game-changing disruptive technologies and Intellectual Property to offer superior value to its customers. Associated Spring continues to be an industry leader, constantly pushing the envelope to achieve superior high-stress performance with optimized lighter springs for key critical applications.

For further information about Associated Spring and its world-class engineered spring and stamping solutions, please visit [www.asbg.com](http://www.asbg.com), or contact Sales/Customer Service at 1-800-528-3795.

**About Barnes Group Inc.**

Founded in 1857, Barnes Group Inc. (NYSE: B) is an international industrial and aerospace manufacturer and service provider, serving a wide range of end markets and customers. The products and services provided by Barnes Group are used in far-reaching applications that provide transportation, communication, manufacturing and technology to the world. Barnes Group's approximately 4,400 dedicated employees, at more than 60 locations worldwide, are committed to achieving consistent and sustainable profitable growth. For more information, visit [www.BGInc.com](http://www.BGInc.com).

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