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Oak Ridge Company Partners with Global Leader, Takes Sales Worldwide

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. – Industrial Ceramic Solutions, LLC (ICS) in Oak Ridge, Tenn. has signed an exclusive, worldwide sales agreement with GKN Sintered Metal Filters (GKN) to open sales of ICS’s high-temperature ceramic fiber filters in Asia, Europe, and South America.

Germany-based GKN, the world’s largest supplier of precision metal powder components, will utilize its worldwide marketing structure to significantly increase the reach of ICS products. Increased sales resulting from the agreement will lead to the expansion of ICS’s manufacturing facilities as well as a significant increase in skilled labor employment in East Tennessee.

ICS, located in the Oak Ridge Entrepreneurial Center managed by Tech 2020, creates high-temperature ceramic filters for pollution control and process improvement for applications including food processing, biomass power generation, industrial EPA compliance and diesel emissions. During the last two years, the company has moved from product development to commercial production as a result of \$1.5 million in TNInvestco funding supplied by the Limestone Fund and the XMi High Growth Development Fund.

“The funding we received enabled ICS to create truly world-class products, which is what made this agreement possible,” said Richard Nixdorf, ICS founder. “We are glad that the entire region will now share in our success as we expand operations, including creating new positions for skilled workers.”

ICS is strategically located in the Oak Ridge community to benefit from the resources of Oak Ridge National Laboratory and The University of Tennessee, Knoxville. All of its current employees are graduates of the associate engineering programs offered by Pellissippi State Community College in Knoxville, Tenn.

More information on Industrial Ceramic Solutions is available at www.indceramics.com.

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