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A.T. WALL PROVIDES MACHINE STAMPED FUEL CELL BATTERY SEALS

WARWICK, RI - A.T. Wall Company, a world-class supplier of superior precision tubing and fabricated metal components, announced that it provides machine stamped end seals for fuel cell batteries.

In large volumes, stamping becomes a much faster method of manufacturing than machining, driving down production costs compared to traditional machining. This in turn improves the ability of fuel cell technology to compete in the marketplace. Going to cost effective stamping methods also gave fuel cell developers access to high volume and high quality parts.

ATW Companies has enhanced its stamping capabilities and is expert at piercing very small holes through very thick material. For the fuel cell battery top, A.T. Wall was able to pierce a .078 inch hole through .125 inch material, which far exceeds the industry standard.

According to John O'Brien, corporate sales for A.T. Wall Company, "We applied our design expertise, material knowledge, and careful monitoring of tool wear to develop a stamping solution that allows us to form material of higher than normal thickness with high precision, well beyond what is usually considered possible." Working directly with engineers in the initial phase of a development project allows A. T. Wall to meet numerous design challenges and come up with a cost effective solution. "There are areas that will remain machined parts, but knowing where stamping fits could supply my customer a competitive advantage. In this way, we become a resource for our customers."

A.T. Wall Company is a subsidiary of ATW Companies, which also includes Judson A. Smith Company, located in Boyertown, PA, and Parmatech Corporation, located in Petaluma, CA.

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About A.T. Wall Company

Founded in 1886, A.T. Wall Company is a part of the ATW Companies and is a world leader in the production of seamless cold drawn specialty tubing and metal stampings that include drawn and coined products. A.T. Wall's state-of-the-art manufacturing facility, located in Warwick, Rhode Island, serves the needs of customers throughout the world in a variety of industries, including: Aerospace, Electronics, Telecommunications and Medical.

The company provides rapid turnaround on the design and manufacture of specialty items for which mill numbers are not required. For more information on A.T.Wall, visit www.atwall.com, call 401-739-0740 or write dparker@ATWall.com.

About ATW Companies

Headquartered in Warwick, RI, ATW Companies is a provider of highly engineered metal solutions to the metal component marketplace, servicing customers worldwide. The company runs state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities located in California, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island and offers global sales and support. ATW provides a wide range of fabrication technologies to meet the exacting requirements of industries and diverse technologies for the most critical applications. The company's motto is "Be the Best...Do it Right," and they strive to live by this commitment to quality, reliability, innovation, and integrity by continuously adding value to their products and services.