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General Dynamics Celebrates 50 Years Of History In Lincoln, Nebraska

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LINCOLN, Neb. – General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products celebrates 50 years of history this month at its manufacturing operations in Lincoln, Nebraska. The Lincoln facility was established in June 1963 by Brunswick Corporation to produce lightweight, durable missile bodies for the U.S. Navy. Acquired by General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products in 2002, the company is now a world-class designer and manufacturer of advanced composite structures for the defense and aerospace markets. General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products is a business unit of General Dynamics (NYSE: GD).

The history of the Lincoln facility began in 1963 with the production of composite components for the Navy's Polaris missile. The company soon became known as an expert in filament winding and pressure containment, and was chosen to produce the first filament-wound pressure vessel used for a manned flight in space. The company worked closely with NASA, producing components for the Skylab space station and space shuttle.

Today, General Dynamics' key product areas at the Lincoln facility are aircraft, missile and space structures, including rocket motor cases, pressure vessels, fuselage structures, external fuel tanks, drive shafts and launch tubes. The company continues work with NASA, currently developing large pressure vessels for NASA's space launch system. General Dynamics recently supplied two Lincoln-manufactured composite tanks for Virgin Galactic's SpaceShip2, which were critical to the commercial craft's successful test flight in April 2013. Composite missile structures continue to be a strong segment of General Dynamics' business in Lincoln with production of components for products such as the Tomahawk, PAC-3 and Standard missiles.

In 1963, the idea of launching missiles from within a nuclear-powered submarine was revolutionary and required reliable expertise and technology. The Lincoln facility met that challenge in 1963, and 50 years later, persistently meets the advancing technological demands in the production of reliable composite products for the most complex environments.

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