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F3 Engineering to establish North American headquarters in Spartanburg County

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – A provider of technology, products and services in military and commercial mission-critical applications will locate its North American headquarters and manufacturing operations in Spartanburg County. [F3 Engineering](#) is investing \$3.9 million over three years, resulting in an expected 53 new jobs.

Founded in 1999 in New Jersey, F3 Engineering prides itself in providing customers with mission-critical technology. Through the use of resources and expertise to prototype and manufacture complex products, the company brings technical, administrative and managerial resources together to provide a total program of complex engineering and contract manufacturing solutions.

The establishment of a North American headquarters in Spartanburg County provides F3 Engineering with an opportunity to continue growing the company. Although many locations were considered for this facility, the F3 Engineering selection team concluded that Spartanburg was the right choice, offering a convenient location, excellent climate and good quality of life. Furthermore, the 25,000 square-foot facility, located at 350 Seminole Drive in Spartanburg, is positioned in a Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone). The management team believes that the company's experience and capabilities, coupled with the highest quality assurance standards and the HUBZone designation, will allow for many new business opportunities in this facility.

Those interested in becoming a part of the F3 Engineering team may visit the company's [career opportunities page](#). For more information about F3 Engineering, please visit www.f3engineering.com.

The Coordinating Council for Economic Development has approved job development credits related to the project.

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"We are excited about the relocation to South Carolina. It's a business-friendly state, with not only a significant pool of employees, but also a convenient hub of technology and other support industries." –**F3 Engineering Founder and President Odilo Vazquez, Ph.D.**

"We're thankful for every company that does business in our state, but it's special when a company that manufactures equipment for our men and women in uniform decides to call South Carolina home. F3 Engineering's \$3.9 million investment and the 50 jobs they are going to create in Spartanburg County will make a real difference in the community, and we welcome them to the Palmetto State." –**Gov. Nikki Haley**

"South Carolina's aerospace and military sectors continue to attract top-quality suppliers to the state. Having such a reputable company choose our state for its North American headquarters is yet another win for Team South Carolina, and we're excited to support F3 Engineering's mission of 'building precision.'" –**Secretary Bobby Hitt**

"Spartanburg County is pleased to welcome F3 Engineering to our community. The highly technical nature of the jobs they will create, coupled with the attractive wages make this a significant project for the citizens of Spartanburg." – **David Britt, chairman of the Economic Recruitment and Development Committee of Spartanburg County and member of the Economic Futures Group Board**

FIVE FAST FACTS

- **F3 Engineering will locate its North American headquarters and manufacturing operations in Spartanburg County.**
- The company is committing a total **capital investment of more than \$3.9 million over the next three years.**
- The new facility is located at **350 Seminole Drive in Spartanburg.**
- The new operation is expected to result in **53 new jobs.**
- For career opportunities, **visit the [company's website](#).**

About F3 Engineering

F3 Engineering has a solid past-performance history and demonstrated expertise in an ever-expanding range of projects and contract assignments. They set the standard for developing innovative solutions to vibration control and shock mitigation and are proud of their contributions to advancing many technologies through close partnerships with their clients. F3's vision is to continue to gain recognition as a preferred provider of technology, products and services in mission-critical applications. For more information, visit www.f3engineering.com.

About S.C. Department of Commerce

As South Carolina's leading economic development agency, the Department of Commerce works to recruit new businesses and help existing businesses grow. Commerce has recruited world-class companies to South Carolina such as Boeing, Bridgestone, Continental, Monster.com, ZF Group, BMW and Google Inc. and also supports small and existing business, rural development initiatives and community development. Commerce partners with the [S.C. Technical College System](#) via [readySC](#) to support workforce training and recruiting, and with the [S.C. Department of Employment and Workforce](#), which provides worker training and employment opportunities within the state. South Carolina ranked first in the nation for attracting jobs through foreign investment, according to IBM-Plant Location International reports in both 2012 and 2013. The state won the Gold Shovel Award and the Project of Year Award from Area Development magazine in 2012. For more information, visit www.SCcommerce.com.

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