# GOEX Sheetline

**QUALITY CUSTOM PLASTIC SHEET** 

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## GOEX

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## In Business

This fall marks the opening of our new manufacturing location in Cedar City, Utah. After months of planning, preparation, construction, installation of new equipment, and hiring team members, we are extruding plastic at a second location for the first time in our history.

## Consistency is key

This new facility is a place that embodies the attention to detail we exemplify in Janesville, WI (our headquarters). This allows us to have a seamless transition across manufacturing sites while mirroring our existing operating platform.

One of the things we are most proud to continue to bring to the industry is the quality assurance that has been a part of our DNA since our start more than 30 years ago.

## Minding our Ps and Qs $\,$

An important part of our QA focus, equipment validation is essential to producing consistent, high-quality plastic sheet. One of the key sets of protocols within equipment validation for FDA-regulated industries like ours is:

- Installation Qualification (IQ)
- Operational Qualification (OQ)
- Performance Qualification (PQ)

GOEX is committed to this qualification program and the training necessary to achieve the level

of quality our customers demand and deserve. We know that in the highly-regulated medical device and food packaging industries, as a matter of quality assurance, proper qualification and validation protocols are critical.

#### From the get-go

Kicking off the line up of quality plastic we will be extruding is rPETG. GOEX is a prime supplier of this recycled PETG made with up to 100% recycled content. As part of our RE•COVER<sup>TM</sup> program, this material incorporates recycled content into the core while still maintaining the familiar performance characteristics of PETG.

#### Well-rounded

Just as in Janesville, our new facility will extrude a variety of products including Polyesters, Polypropylene and High Impact Polystyrene (HIPS).

#### Our customers are at the core

From extrusion equipment to final product, we wouldn't be where we are today without all of you. No matter the gauge of material, the quantity we ship, or the certification needed to do it right, delivering on our commitment to quality custom plastic sheet is what we are about.

We are open in Utah and we welcome your business.

## Team GOEX

People are what makes GOEX a success. We are proud to recognize the following individuals and their dedicated teamwork. Those celebrating work anniversaries this quarter are:

## **5 YEAR ANNIVERSARIES**

Barb Edwards Quality Engineer - Food Safety & Compliance

Sarah Rogers

Executive Assistant

Jake Louch-Noe Extrusion Technician I

#### **10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

Jered Draper
Extrusion Technician II

## **30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

Bill McDonald

Production Supervisor

## **35 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

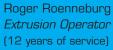
Bob Merrick

Director of Materials

## **RETIREMENTS**

Congratulations to the following GOEX team members on their recent retirements. Those celebrating retirement this quarter are:







Brian Adams

Process Specialist I
[12 years of service]

## We've Got Heart

This year, GOEX, as a sponsor of the 2022 Bert Blain Memorial Walk for The American Heart Association in Janesville, WI, raised more than \$5,000 for the cause!

From raffle baskets, to bake sales, to walking miles with other community teams, GOEX team members truly stepped up to represent our company.





Our newest GOEX team members in Cedar City, UT jumped onboard and raised over \$1,000 themselves. Special shout out goes to Scott Tomaske, who as our highest individual contributor, won two extra vacation days for himself!

Thanks to every one (employees and friends and family of GOEX team members) that helped make this event a success for the sixth year in row.

## Putting plastic to work for you

GOEX has been busy recently, showcasing our materials at tradeshows representing the markets we serve. As a trusted partner, our mission is to develop the best material solutions for our customers. These shows give us the opportunity to tailor to the needs of each.

## From Pellet to Package

Pack Expo International and the city of Chicago welcomed showgoers to the world's largest packaging trade show this fall.

GOEX was at the show marketing product offerings that address the ever-changing and ever-increasing performance, quality and regulatory needs of both the medical packaging and food packaging industries.

Our impressive portfolio of quality packaging materials for these markets feature FDA compliance,

and are backed by our ISO 9001:2015, FSSC22000, IMS, GMP and HACCP practices and certifications.



# PRINTINGUNITED

### From Pellet to Print

The Printing United Expo is billed as "the most dynamic and comprehensive printing event in the world". This year's show in Las Vegas in October was an opportunity for GOEX to again exhibit the best rigid plastic sheet material solutions for the printing industry.

GOEX is fueled by helping our customers meet the unique specifications of print-on-plastic projects.

Our RE•COVER™ material, made with up to 100% post-industrial recycled content was a highlight of the show for GOEX. We were able to showcase materials in A/B, A/B/A, and virgin sheet construction to address the sustainability needs of this important market.

## PET: The world's most widely-recycled thermoplastic

Why is Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) the most recycled plastic on Earth? PET is special. It is near infinitely recyclable and can play a key role in helping us reach a more circular economy. Intended for single-use applications, PET packaging is made to be recycled, not reused. It's easy to see then why PET is a #1 in the recycling stream for many reasons.

## Easy to identify

PET can easily be identified by the #1 in the triangular "chasing arrows" code, which is usually found molded into the bottom or side of a container. No other plastic carries the #1 code. When you see the #1 symbol, know that PET plastic packaging is 100% recyclable.



## Safe for use in food packaging

The use of recycled PET has been approved by health-safety agencies and governments across the world. GOEX offers Polyester (PET) products specifically designed to bring cost-effective solutions to the food packaging market. GOEX's FDA-approved PET material utilizes post-industrial and post-consumer recycled material to bring high clarity to the end product.

#### It's clear

By allowing end users to easily see inside the package, GOEX's quality PET material is proven to positively drive consumer purchasing behavior.

Recycling is crucial to ensuring a more sustainable future for packaging overall. Find out more about PET and other sustainable packaging material solutions by contacting GOEX today. We can partner with you to implement a closed-loop material and packaging return program where specifications and circularity align.



## Personally from the President

As we wrap up another fiscal year here at GOEX, we reflect on another year of growth.

Obviously, the addition of our facility in Utah has allowed us to expand production. Through the new construction process, we were able to take our knowledge of GMP practices and build an additional manufacturing site with extrusion capabilities that are second-to-none.

Extensive cross-training with Cedar City staff in Janesville has allowed us to propagate the GOEX culture. We have replicated features of our original facility to build the best environment for manufacturing our products. This same-same outcome is valuable both internally and with customers alike.

The relationships with our suppliers has proven, yet again, to be a solid foundation for minimizing impacts seen through the supply chain and labor shortages across the country. We continue to work as partners to meet demand.

We have grown in the past twelve months and are excited about the contribution of Cedar City to our business continuity plan and added capacity.

We look forward to sharing many more years of success with all of you.



Joshua D. Gray President & CEO GOEX Corporation

## Putting a Face to the Name: GOEX Hires Corporate Sustainability Manager

## Sustainability is the name of the game at GOEX

GOEX is continually investing resources into product development and innovation, resulting in more sustainable material offerings and program solutions. Whether we are exploring curbside recycled materials, environmentally-friendly material options, or looking at ways to incorporate recycled content into new materials—our team is continually pursuing the next sustainable solution for you.

And now, to put priority on this ever increasingly-important topic, GOEX has hired a Sustainability Manager to help establish, implement, and maintain our corporate sustainability strategies both within our company and with our customers.

This new Quality Team member, as our Corporate Sustainability Manager, will report to GOEX Executive V.P. of Operations. "We are dedicated to our commitment to sustainability and addressing the ever-increasing focus on a more circular economy" Pregont stated. "We are proud to bring Karen Kearns onboard and look forward to the direction she will provide."

Karen Kearns GOEX Corporate Sustainability Manager

Kearns earned her Master's degree in Sustainable Systems Engineering from the University of Wisconsin with an emphasis on specialized training and practice in Plastics Recycling and Risk Management. She also has valuable experience as a Quality System Manager/Quality Engineer in the plastic industry. As a former U.S. Army Officer, Karen has developed leadership qualities rallying teams and executing projects. We look forward to her focus on key company goals and establishing sustainable objectives.

## The circularity of it all

When asked what drew her to GOEX, Karen responded, "My concentration in sustainability is to promote the circular economy of plastic. The unique aspects of plastic allow for it to be recycled in many different ways, turning what would be waste back into usable products. That is, in essence, the circular economy of plastics, and GOEX is at the forefront of these types of products—helping to find a solution that benefits us all."



## Closing the loop

As GOEX continues to demonstrate, we are truly committed to finding sustainable solutions for the future.

We can help:

- Decrease the reliance on raw materials
- Optimize the continuity of single-use packaging
- Minimize our collective carbon footprint and the impact on our natural resources

Contact GOEX today to find how we can help with your sustainability goals.

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