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**SICK, Inc. & local officials celebrate groundbreaking of $64 million expansion in Bloomington, MN**

*As a global leader in sensor technology, SICK’s expansion in Minnesota will enable the creation of more high-quality jobs in the technology and manufacturing sectors*

**Bloomington, MINN. (May 22, 2024) *—*** SICK, Inc. and local officials held a groundbreaking ceremony today to celebrate the beginning of construction on a $64 million expansion at the SICK Office and Customer Resource Building in Bloomington, which is the North American headquarters for SICK.

Additionally, and in collaboration with the City of Bloomington and the Port Authority, a seven-level parking ramp, with primary use by SICK employees, will be built as part of the project.

SICK AG, based in Waldkirch, Germany, is one of the world's leading solution providers for sensor-based applications for industrial applications. The company has more than 12,000 employees worldwide and nearly $2.5 billion in sales in 2023.

Since 1975, SICK’s Minnesota-based employees have been based in various facilities around Minnesota and have recently moved into a new building in Bloomington located near to the Mall of America and the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

The expansion celebrated today provides an additional 139,000 square feet on four floors, each designed with purpose and functionality of labs, including engineering, vision software and applications, robotics, conveyors, and research & development. At this facility groundbreaking ideas take shape. It will be a state-of-the-art customer conferencing and training space.

“In the ever-evolving landscape of innovation, we at SICK find our compass pointing toward a future where technology and human ingenuity converge, where knowledge meets action,” said Ron Jubis, President Sales, SICK Inc. “It is through our collective vision that we shape the world of tomorrow.”

“SICK’s expansion is not just physical. It’s a leap into the future of production facilities, research and development, and industry partnerships,” said Dave Szczepanski, President Execution, SICK Inc. “We are not just an employer of choice; we are a partner of choice, creating symbiotic relationships with institutions that are at the forefront of industry development.”

With sustainability at its core, the project will incorporate green space, geothermal wells, and tools to harness earth’s natural energy for efficient heating and cooling. This Bloomington campus will be the central connector for SICK’s customers and regional offices located in North America: Boston, Houston, Detroit, San Francisco, Toronto, and Calgary.

“We are thrilled to celebrate the groundbreaking of SICK’s expansion in Bloomington,” said Bloomington Mayor Tim Busse. “This significant investment underscores SICK’s commitment to innovation and sustainability, and we are proud to collaborate on this project. This expansion marks a new chapter in Bloomington’s long partnership with SICK, and we look forward to the innovative ideas and advancements that will develop here.”