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## **Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. Expanding Dorchester County Manufacturing Facility** *\$30 Million Investment Expected To Bring 20 Additional Jobs To Summerville*

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – [Zapp Precision Wire, Inc.](#), a manufacturer of stainless steel, nickel alloys and titanium wire is expanding its operations in Dorchester County. The company will be investing \$30 million in the expansion, adding an expected 20 new jobs in Summerville, S.C.

Founded in 1701 in Germany as a craft trade firm, the Zapp Group has committed more than three centuries to the steel industry. In that time, the companies of the Zapp Group have expanded their offerings to include three main business areas – precision strip, precision wire and materials engineering. With operations in Asia, Europe, North America and South America, the Zapp Group possesses a truly global footprint.

In 1996, the Zapp Group opened its first United States production facility in Dorchester County. Located at 475 International Circle in Summerville, this expanded facility will allow the firm to accommodate a new production line, as well as manufacturing machinery and equipment. The expansion will add approximately 30,000 square feet to the existing facility.

Hiring for new positions is expected to begin in January 2015. Anyone interested in applying should forward their resume to [jobs.zpw@zapp.com](mailto:jobs.zpw@zapp.com). For more information on Zapp Precision Wire, Inc., please visit [www.zapp.com](http://www.zapp.com).

### **QUOTES**

“Zapp has found South Carolina to be a welcoming, family-oriented location for our American wire operations. As a 300-year-old, family-owned company, we have enjoyed being part of the Summerville and Charleston area community for the past 20 years. We are very pleased to be expanding our operations and adding people, capacity and capabilities. Over the next several years, we will break ground for a new building addition and install the steel-working equipment needed to produce precision metallic bars. While Zapp operates similar equipment in Europe today, this state-of-the-art equipment will give us the ability to better support our North American customers while also increasing our global capacity to produce close-tolerance metallic bars.” –Zapp Group Executive Board Member Dr. Stefan Seng

“Zapp Precision Wire established operations in South Carolina nearly 20 years ago, and their decision to expand in Dorchester County is a testament to our state’s world-class workforce and strong business environment. We congratulate them on this \$30 million investment and the addition of 20 new jobs, and look forward to seeing them continue to succeed in our state for years to come.” –Gov. Nikki Haley

“I am proud that Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. has decided to expand their Dorchester County operations. Continuing a rich tradition of German investment in our state, this expansion is great news for Zapp, the local community and the state of South Carolina. ” –Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt

“We are extremely pleased to learn of Zapp’s decision to expand at their Dorchester County location, and stand ready to assist them in any way.” – Dorchester County Council Chairman William Hearn

## **FIVE FAST FACTS**

- Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. is expanding its operations in Dorchester County.
- \$30 million investment to create 20 jobs.
- The Zapp Group was founded in 1701.
- In Summerville since 1996, Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. is expanding its facility, located at 475 International Circle, by approximately 30,000 square-feet.
- Anyone interested in career opportunities with Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. may visit the company’s [career page](#).

### **About Zapp:**

*Founded in 1701, Zapp Group has committed more than three centuries to the steel industry. In that time, the companies of the Zapp Group have expanded its offerings to include three main business areas – precision strip, precision wire and materials engineering. Wire from Zapp consists of all types of rustproof special steel or can be formed from nickel and nickel based alloys and as titanium wire. Zapp Precision Wire supplies clients with round wire and profile wire made of stainless steel, nickel alloys and titanium for a wide variety of areas of application including Automotive, Industrial, Medical and Oil & Gas. According to the application and the type of treatment, customers can have stainless steel wire with special surfaces and coatings. Special fixed lengths, completely free of welds, can also be made. For more information on Zapp Precision Wire, Inc., please visit [www.zapp.com](http://www.zapp.com).*

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