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Historic Book Publisher Expands with New Division in New Albany

NEW ALBANY, Ind. (Feb 19, 2010) - Automobile Heritage Publishing & Communications, LLC announced today that it has established Centennial Graphics Group, a new division specializing in book publishing and bindery and will create up to 48 new jobs by 2012.

The new corporation is expanding on the company's existing publishing and book restoration services by adding foil stamping, diploma cover production, yearbook printing, specialty gift box manufacturing and other customized printing capabilities. The company will invest \$2.7 million to further equip its existing 60,000 square-foot space it now leases.

"It's a great joy to see homegrown, family-owned businesses succeed in our state, especially during volatile economic times," said Mitch Roob, Secretary of Commerce and chief executive officer of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. "We wish Centennial Graphics Group the very best as they grow and invest in Floyd county."

Formed in 2001, Centennial Graphics' parent company, Automobile Heritage Publishing & Communications, has three generations of history in bookbinding and publishing. With its new division, the company will enhance automation of many of its services. Centennial Graphics will continue adding production and manufacturing workers as new equipment is added.

"Southern Indiana is the ideal location for Centennial Graphics Group in meeting our customers' expanding needs," said Gerry Durnell, president of Centennial Graphics Group. "This project also leverages the strategic partnerships and core competencies from our publishing enterprise in order to fill a niche market that is underserved in this geographic region."

Centennial Graphics' customers include Boeing, the Disney Companies, Brown Forman, General Electric, Estee Lauder, Tupperware, Time, Inc., the White House Communications Agency and PNC Bank. The company also works with university and municipal libraries to restore historic books after flooding or significant aging.

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