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## **VTT PLANS EXPANSION OF ITS OPERATION IN NEWARK**

### ***Purchases the Former Saint Michael School***



PALMYRA, NEW YORK, May 23, 2019-V Technical Textiles, Inc., a thirteen year old business owned by Jeanne Hoge, which distributes conductive textiles and manufactures products made from these textiles, is in the process of purchasing the former Saint Michael's School, which has been closed since 2011, from the Rochester Catholic Diocese. Jeanne Hoge's husband, William Hoge, is the company's and Chief Technical Officer. Jeanne's son, Shawn DeCook, is the Operations Manager, while her daughter, Heather Bushart, is the Human Resource Assistant. The purchase will help to consolidate the growing company's space needs which are currently spread over several locations in the Palmyra/Newark area. The school has 30,000 square feet and will likely be used for the production of VTT's larger RFI/EMI testing enclosures and wearable technology. Some of the new space will also be devoted to the Sales, Research and Development, and Engineering Departments of VTT.

VTT will make a capital investment along with some assistance from the Wayne County Industrial Development Agency and the Excelsior Jobs Program to tailor the structure to their needs. Newark Mayor Jonathan Taylor is happy to see a new use for the vacant school building and feels that it will be a huge win for Newark's downtown area. Shawn DeCook plans to add a number of jobs to the local economy during this expansion. He also sees the building as an ideal site for VTT due to the flexibility of the existing structure design, giving VTT many site development options.

Located in Palmyra, New York, V Technical Textiles, Inc. is the leading manufacturer of RF Shielding and EMI enclosures and tents. Our benefit is our flexibility; with our metalized fabric enclosures being lightweight, portable, custom made, and providing unparalleled shielding performance.

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