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Bay Steel Plans Expansion

- Mobile Area Chamber assists local small business expand
- The company will build a new facility & hire additional employees

[Mobile, Ala., 05.14.2019] Mobile-based Bay Steel Corp. announced it is expanding local operations, investing \$6.29 million and hiring five additional employees.



The new facility will be operational in the first quarter of 2020.

The family-owned business owns 32 acres on Todd Acres Drive across from Mobile Commerce Park and recently decided to construct a 76,500-square-foot of office and warehousing space on 7.5 acres, according to **Neal Collins**, vice president of Bay Steel. The company will be moving from its existing facility at the Port of Mobile.

“Our new operations will allow us to be more efficient with our space, triple the number of overhead cranes and gives us room to grow, and we’re excited about that,” said Collins.

Bay Steel is a steel service center for carbon and galvanized steel and sells a variety of products primarily throughout the Southeast. The company’s customers consist of manufacturers, fabricators and contractors, supporting industrial, commercial, transportation, marine, chemical and energy businesses. Examples of how the products are used include construction or repair of chutes, conveyors, trailers, buildings, signs, boats, fences and lumber processing equipment.

“It’s important that the Chamber support businesses grown and developed here. Of its key competitors, Bay Steel is unique in that it is only steel service center and metal wholesaler headquartered in Mobile,” said **Colton Cureton**, the project manager for the Chamber who headed up the project.

“Thank you to Bay Steel for making this investment in the City of Mobile. It’s a great day whenever we add job opportunities for our citizens, and it’s especially great when an existing business chooses to grow and expand,” said **City of Mobile Mayor Sandy Stimpson**.

“It’s always exciting when I see our local companies growing and expanding. Bay Steel Corp. is a company that has been contributing to Mobile County’s economy for more than two decades. I know they will continue to thrive in their new location,” said **Jerry Carl**, Mobile County Commissioner, District 3.

MW Rogers Construction Co., based in Mobile, will serve as the general contractor.

After selling steel for another company, Bob Collins opened Bay Steel in 1988. Currently, the company has 13 employees.

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About the Mobile Area Chamber's Economic Development Efforts

The Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce is a private business organization with more than 1,800 members, and the economic developer of record for the city of Mobile and Mobile County. Thanks to the support of the Chamber's Partners for Growth public and private investors, over the last decade Mobile's economic development efforts created 10,713 new jobs and retained 541 more. Capital investments topped \$3.9 billion, including 29 new businesses recruited and 59 expansion projects at existing area companies. Additional information is on the Chamber’s website at www.mobilechamber.com, Facebook @MobileChamber, Twitter and YouTube at @MobileChamber, Instagram @Mobile_Area_Chamber and LinkedIn @Mobile Area Chamber.