

News Release

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Ribbon Cutting Scheduled for Office Machine Consultants

What: Office Machine Consultants has relocated in Rock Island.

Where: 3624 Blackhawk Road, Rock Island.

Ceremony: **Media is invited to attend a Ribbon Cutting at 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2009.** Mayor Mark Schwiebert will be on hand to do the honors.

Background: Office Machine Consultants, Inc. (OMC) has been located at 534 16th Street since 1987. The company offers sales and service expertise for Toshiba and other brands of office machine equipment. Owners Tom and Barbara Pasmore started the business in 1982 and moved to Rock Island 22 years ago. Their service area has expanded to include clients located in eastern Iowa and western Illinois. OMC is now a second generation business as son Donald Pasmore was recently named President of the company.

Project Info: The company recently purchased the building at 3624 Blackhawk Road to accommodate their growing staff and need for warehouse space. The two-story office building contains 8,000 sq. ft., and the adjoining garage and warehouse contains 6,912 sq. ft. The purchase offers much needed office, warehouse, and parking space.

The cost to purchase the new building and for some remodeling was \$575,000. Bank Orion supported the purchase of the property with a \$450,000 loan and the Pasmore's received a \$100,000 loan through the City of Rock Island's Commercial/Industrial Revolving Loan Fund (CIRLF). The loan was approved to support the purchase of the building. The business will also receive a rebate through the City's Facade Improvement Program for any exterior improvements made to the new location. The move to Blackhawk Road will retain 25 positions and create three new jobs over the next two years.