

## BJ Take Completes a \$4.8M Plant Expansion

Dunnville, ON, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 9:00 am EST – BJ Take demonstrated its commitment to increasing manufacturing efficiency and speed to market by completing its \$4.8M plant expansion.

The expansion plan was developed in 2018 to optimize the factory's efficiency in the product design, manufacturing and logistical areas. Starting in 2019 and continuing through the Covid-19 pandemic, BJ Take has installed an ERP system for improved inventory control and greater systems visibility. An automated powder coating paint line to ensure high-quality parts and shorter lead times for both their custom and standard light fixtures has been installed, which, coupled with the recent installation of state-of-the-art laser cutting and punch presses, positions the organization to deliver high-complexity parts at a lower cost point. The plant has also installed the HG1003-ATC press brake, with an automatic tool changer and an eight-foot bending capacity to allow BJ Take to develop prototypes faster while taking advantage of 3D offline programming to test the bend sequence in a virtual environment.

Ed Buma, President of BJ Take, believes that these changes will "position BJ Take well in the lighting and design fields while offering our customers the level of service and flexibility they have grown to expect." When asked what it means to the customer, Doug Wilson, Vice President of Sales for BJ Take, explained that "these upgrades mean that we can help our agents service their clients in ways never before possible. Using the new 3D computer applications, we can take our customers' requirements and design a virtual prototype quickly and reliably. Using the HG1003-ATC, we can then make a physical representation for testing purposes." He continued, "in short, we have become even faster and more reliable when it comes to designing, manufacturing and delivering our products to those needing it."

The plant expansion allows BJ Take to also take full advantage of its infrastructure to design and develop custom lighting solutions and OEM light fixture manufacturing.

Located in Dunnville, Ontario, BJ Take specializes in designing and building energy-efficient LED lighting products supplying the changing needs of the North American marketplace. For more information on their product line, visit <u>bitake.com</u> or contact Doug Wilson (extension 23) at 905-774-5988 today.

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If you want more information on BJ Take's energy-efficient products or visit the factory, please contact Doug Wilson at 905-774-5988 extension 23 or dwilson@bjtake.com.