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## Ohio Company Leads by Example, Installs Highly Efficient Cogeneration System in Cincinnati Facility

Governor Kasich reps and Members of the Ohio General Assembly gather today for Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for newly installed combined heat and power system



From Left to Right, Rep. Lou Blessing (R – Colerain Twp), Rep. Peter Stautberg (R – Anderson Twp), Michael Burke (Enerfab), Sherri Carbo (Gov. Kasich's SW Regional Liason), Jeffery Hock (Enerfab), Mark Linsberg (Enerfab).

**Cincinnati, OH** - State officials and the leadership of a local company met today to launch a new clean power system at a local manufacturing facility. Officials representing Ohio Governor John Kasich were on hand to deliver a certificate of recognition for the newly-installed combined heat and power (CHP) system at Enerfab, Inc's. Brighton Tru-Edge Heads facility located on Mosteller Road in Cincinnati.

Combined Heat and Power systems most commonly use natural gas as their fuel source, and supply both electricity and heating needs to the end-user. These systems are attractive because they deliver both heat and electricity at much higher efficiencies than traditional power

generation, and often demonstrate energy savings for the end-user. Brighton's parent company, Enerfab, a global company with over 100 years of operation in Ohio is headquartered in Cincinnati. Enerfab employs 350 people at its Cincinnati facility. Enerfab designed and constructed the system that was launched at today's ribbon cutting ceremony.

"Our CHP systems are a truly clean and reliable energy source for our customers. CHP is an excellent way to use the energy we consume more efficiently, which in turn reduces operational costs. Because of this, Enerfab wanted to demonstrate, and take advantage of these benefits right here in one of our own facilities," commented Michael Burke, Director of Process Engineering at Enerfab. "With new incentives coming online soon in Ohio, we expect to see the pace of our CHP business pick up."

Ohio is ripe for more investments in CHP systems for energy-intensive companies. In fact, the U.S. Department of Energy estimates that Ohio, on account of its large manufacturing sector and other energy-intensive industries, ranks 4th in the nation for CHP potential. However, due to market and regulatory barriers, Ohio lags behind in actual deployment of the technology, coming in at 44th in the nation for installed CHP systems.

"We're proud to showcase this clean and reliable power system here at our facility." commented Mark Lang, President of Brighton Tru-Edge Heads, "As a manufacturing facility, managing energy costs is critical to our bottom line. This system is already demonstrating energy savings for us."

On behalf of Governor Kasich, Sherri Carbo, the Governor's Southwest Ohio Regional Liaison offered a commendation and congratulatory comments at the ribbon cutting ceremony for Enerfab's 210 kilowatt per hour system. Enerfab's commissioning of the new CHP system is timely, given Governor Kasich's recent enactment of a multi-faceted energy initiative, which included new incentives for CHP systems.

Governor Kasich's Energy Initiative, Ohio Senate Bill 315, went into effect in September 2012, and aimed to close the gap between Ohio's potential for CHP and actual deployment in the state. CHP and other clean power technologies continue to be a priority for the Kasich Administration.

"With Ohio's tremendous natural gas resources, cogeneration makes sense for our customers who are looking to save money on their energy costs, and improve their power reliability" added Jeff Hock, President of Enerfab.

**Combined Heat and Power**, commonly called cogeneration, is the simultaneous generation of electricity and thermal energy. By using the thermal energy (in the form of steam or hot water) along with the electricity generated, the total energy efficiency of a CHP system can be as high as 85%.

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