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Midlink Business Park signs up ESCO

*ESCO will occupy 24,000 sq. ft. at
growing Comstock Township business park*

COMSTOCK TOWNSHIP, MICH., — Midlink Business Park welcomes ESCO to its growing, mixed-use campus. ESCO Midwest, formerly of Portage, is the latest tenant to occupy Midlink's West building.

ESCO Midwest, a leading supplier of industrial finishing, washing and waste water equipment and supplies, has signed a five-year lease to occupy 24,000 sq. ft for fabrication, machining and warehousing. The lease begins August 1.

ESCO Midwest owner Brent Slezak had this to say about why he chose Midlink: "To me, moving into Midlink Business Park is like going from an old farm house to a new luxury condo. Midlink has gone above and beyond our expectations to accommodate our needs and meet our timing schedule."

ESCO Midwest joins Kenco Logistics, Wal-Mart, Erickson Flooring, ICS, and Garage Sale Guru on the Midlink West tenant roster.

Midlink Business Park President David Smith noted that historically it has been difficult for tenants who need smaller industrial spaces to find robust, high-capacity facilities in modern, state-of-the-art environments—especially with aggressive, hassle-free tax benefits. "But not anymore," said Smith. "At Midlink, we have a unique, flexible, state-of-the-art product, and we offer suites, ranging from 24,000 SF to 240,000 SF and up, to meet the needs of all-size tenants.

The park's Renaissance Zone status is a major selling point for Midlink, as are competitive rental rates, and Smith credits the Charter Township of Comstock Board, Southwest Michigan First, Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) and many others for helping Midlink obtain widespread support. "The pro-business environment we've created here, with everyone's help, has allowed us to be responsive to the market and our tenants," said Smith. "And in turn, our tenants feel good about being here."

Midlink Business Park is a 340-acre, multi-tenant, multi-use complex that occupies the buildings and land of the former General Motors stamping plant in Comstock Township, just outside of Kalamazoo. Purchased by Hackman Capital Partners in 1999, the site has been restored and repurposed to become an economically and aesthetically attractive destination for businesses in search of new manufacturing, logistics, R&D, office and retail development space. In addition to its prime location on

I-94, midway between Detroit and Chicago, and immediate access to air and rail transportation, Midlink has been lauded for its Renaissance Zone designation by the State of Michigan.

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