OTTO’s Response to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

OTTO is a highly vertically integrated company and manufactures its end products, as well as the internal components, in-house at our facility in Carpentersville, IL. OTTO buys very limited materials from Asia and in particular, China. In general, we have multiple sources of supply for purchased materials, both overseas and domestic. However, for those materials coming from China, we are constantly monitoring our supply chain and are ready to make adjustments, as necessary. In addition, we hold inventory where appropriate. We do not believe this virus will interrupt OTTO’s service to our customers.

In our facilities, we are following the guidelines of the CDC as it relates to our employees. Some of these include:

- Actively encourage sick employees to stay home
- Emphasize the importance of hand hygiene
- Placing alcohol-based sanitizing dispensers throughout the facility
- Limiting travel to only that which is absolutely necessary

OTTO does have a written internal Pandemic Influenza Policy in place. We have identified best practices and have identified a Pandemic Flu Team, consisting of senior leaders, who can make decisions quickly based changing circumstances.

OTTO’s campus consists of four main, physically separate, buildings. Should it become necessary, we can limit interaction between buildings and move workers as needed. Office staff can also be home based on a temporary basis as needed.

OTTO will continue to monitor the situation and will adjust as needed. At present, we are fully operational and plan to remain so.

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