

Watco Mechanical Services Announcement

Date: March 3, 2011
To: Watco Team
From: David Justiss, Watco Mechanical Services Regional Manager,
Southern Region
Subject: Larry Lewczyk, Plant Manager, Marshall, Texas

I am pleased to announce that Larry Lewczyk has accepted the position of Plant Manager for the Marshall, Texas, mechanical shop. Larry will be responsible for the oversight of all aspects of the day-to-day plant activities such as: safety, quality and production as well as the handling of customer relations, financial performance, personnel, and facility management.

Larry has served as Marshall's Quality and Customer Service Manager since July of 2008. Prior to coming to Marshall, Larry worked at Watco's shop in Hollidaysburg, Pa., for three years, also in the capacity of Quality Manager.

Larry has an extensive background in our industry, having joined American Railcar Industries (ARI) in 1974. Following roles with ARI as Storekeeper, Inspector, Estimator, Department Supervisor, and General Foreman. He was promoted to the position of Plant Manager, where he served in that capacity at the Milton, Pa., repair site for 11 years. Since that time, he also managed plants for GE (Superior, Wisc.), for GA (Waycross, Ga.), and for Progress Rail (Decoursey, Ky.).

He attended West Virginia State College as well as Pennsylvania College of Technology. During his time in Hollidaysburg, Larry completed course work in Lean Manufacturing through Villanova University. He also recently became certified as a Level III NDE (non-destructive examination) Technician in both MT (magnetic particle testing) and UTT (ultrasonic thickness testing).

Larry and his wife, Betsy, reside in Marshall and are the grandparents of four boys and one girl. Larry's three sons; Matt, Dave & Joe are each married – one living near Philadelphia, Pa., one near Hickory, N.C., and one in Tampa, Fla.

Larry enjoys traveling to visit his children and grandchildren, strumming his guitar at home and playing on occasion with his church praise team. He also has fun with periodic home remodeling projects.

Larry can be reached at his office number at 903-935-7847, by cell at 903-926-9741 or by e-mail at llewczyk@watcocompanies.com.

Please join me in wishing Larry much success as the new Marshall Plant Manager.