



Midwest Truck Manufacturing – Illinois SBDC at Western Illinois University

James Hunt and Larry Garner took their over 40 years of manufacturing sales and manufacturing experience and opened their own truck trailer manufacturing business in Kewanee, Illinois. They both thought there was a good market for building lightweight, steel tractor-trailer frames if they could find a suitable location. With the help of business partners Russ Spencer, a very nice building became available in Kewanee, Illinois. The entrepreneurs jumped at the chance to acquire the facility, with the help of the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Western Illinois University.

The business produces full, quarter and frameless trailers for class 8 trucking operations. They are off to a great start! The business has hired 18 employees in just 5 months of operations, has repair business as well as new construction, and has the full support of the local community.

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