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**Superior Graphite Expansion and Groundbreaking
Ceremony Announcement**

New Specialty Carbon Plant Groundbreaking at Hopkinsville, KY

Chicago, Ill. (October 17, 2017) – Superior Graphite announces the expansion and groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, October 30th at 1 pm for the new Specialty Carbon Plant adjacent to one of the company’s existing manufacturing facilities in Hopkinsville, KY. This expansion is tied to the rapidly developing demand for high purity materials, and will serve to satisfy Superior Graphite’s customers’ growing needs.

The expansion consists of construction of the new Specialty Carbon Plant and extension of existing warehouse facilities. The plant will perform high-temperature purification of specialty carbons and graphites, and is designed to meet the increased demand for synthetic and natural high-purity materials. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2018, with production starting in the first quarter of 2019. Once the facility is fully operational, it will employ 20 people, thus creating new high-tech local jobs, mainly in engineering.

“This is an exciting time and a timely investment into our 2nd century of business,” said Edward Carney, President & CEO of Superior Graphite. “We are proud to continue to invest in a state that has been so welcoming to us since 1977. We especially look forward to meeting our customers’ growing demands for high volume, ultra-pure materials .”

The groundbreaking ceremony will feature Edward Carney, President & CEO of Superior Graphite; Mayor Carter Hendricks, City of Hopkinsville; Chairman Easton Glover, South Western Kentucky

Economic Development Council; Judge Executive Steve Tribble, Christian County Fiscal Court; and other company representatives, business leaders and the general contractor.

About Superior Graphite

An innovation leader since 1917, Superior Graphite provides continuous electro-thermal treatment/purification of graphite & carbons, advanced sizing, and custom-mix technologies for energy/thermal management, metallurgy, friction, drilling material additives, non-oxide ceramics, and polymers/CASE materials. The company's purpose-created solutions deliver outstanding quality, consistency, and performance across industries and around the globe. For more information, please visit www.superiorgraphite.com or follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#).

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