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**Kokomo Casting Plant** 

1001 East Boulevard , Kokomo, Indiana, United States

Floor Space: 625,000 square feet

Acreage: 35 acres

Products: Aluminum parts for automotive components, transmission and transaxle cases; engine block castings

Employment: 1,127 (1,011 hourly; 116 salaried)

Union Local: UAW Local 1166 and 1302

**Plant History:** Kokomo Casting is the world's largest die-cast facility. The plant was completed and began production in 1965 with expansions in 1969, 1986, 1995 and 1997.

In 2010, the company made three investment announcements:

May - \$43 million to adapt the plant for production of the World Engine and improve processes for the 62TE

transmission program

June - \$300 million for production of a new, highly fuel-efficient eight-speed automatic transmission November - \$843 million for production of a future generation front-wheel-drive automatic transmission In February 2013, the company announced an investment of \$212 million at Kokomo Transmission, Kokomo Casting and Indiana Transmission Plants for additional tooling and equipment to produce the eight- and nine-speed transmissions, which added up to 400 new jobs.

The plant ended production of the four-speed transmission case in July 2014. More than 18 million four-speed cases were built at Kokomo Casting since 1988. The plant launched production of the nine-speed case in 2013.

On Aug. 1, 2022, Stellantis announced a \$99 million total investment for three North America plants for production of a new 1.6-liter, 1-4 turbocharged engine that has both direct fuel injection and flexibility for hybrid-electric vehicle (HEV) applications. More than \$14 million will be invested at Kokomo Casting to convert existing die-cast machies and cells for production of the engine blocks.

On Feb. 28, 2023, Stellantis announced that it will invest a total of \$155 million in three Kokomo, Indiana, plants to produce new electric drive modules (EDM) that will help power future electric vehicles assembled in North America and to support the goal of 50% battery-electric sales in the U.S. by 2030. The EDM gearbox cover will be cast at the Kokomo Casting Plant. Production is expected to start in the third quarter of 2024, following retooling.

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