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NEW ENGLAND PROJECT OF THE MONTH

\$1.5 million occupied area project in 600 employee manufacturing facility **D.F. Pray General Contractors completes 8,000 s/f expansion at Titleist Ball Plant III**

NEW BEDFORD, MA. — D.F. Pray General Contractors has completed the expansion of the Titleist Ball Plant III. The \$1.5 million, 8,000 s/f project was an occupied-area project. It was completed in four months. This project comes on the heels of a \$2 million, 100,000 s/f renovation of Titleist Custom Operations that D.F. Pray completed in 2001.

According to Scott Pray, president, D.F. Pray, "We have a long-standing relationship with Titleist. Our challenge is ensuring that their work can continue uninterrupted, while we perform ours. To that end, coordination among team members is crucial." William Starck, president of Starck Architects, located in Fall River concurred, "The project went smoothly because of collaboration among team members."



One of the largest employers in New Bedford, Titleist has relocated 250 employees to the new facility in the Greater New Bedford Industrial Park. Once the remaining 350 employees are relocated, the old facility will be demolished. According to Ted Smietana, project manager, Acushnet Co., which owns Titleist, Footjoy, and Cobra, "Working with D.F. Pray was a pleasure. They managed the tight schedule and the budget. There were no cost overruns. There were no surprises."

Work to the occupied area included expansion of a cafeteria and offices. David Sousa, project manager, D.F. Pray states, "Temporary walls were built in the work area, two feet within the perimeter. Reinforced poly was used to reduce moisture." Other work included foundation, installation of structural steel, and

installation of a new roof. Concrete slabs were poured on two floors. Rooftop mechanical units were installed. Interior partitions were built, and storefront framing was used to enclose the building. Finish work included installation of ceramic tile, wood millwork, and acoustical ceiling finishes.

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Project Team

- D.F. Pray Construction Manager
- William J. Starck Architect
- ODEH Structural Engineers Engineer
- Turner Steel Steel Contractor
- Hydro-Stop Roofing Contractor
- Consolidated Electrical Services Electrical Contractor
- Malba Plumbing Plumbing Contractor



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