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ShopBot Tools Joins North Carolina's Manufacturing Makes it Real Tour
NC CNC company sponsors bus tour to recognize manufacturers, products and employees

Durham, NC (July 14, 2010) – ShopBot Tools has signed on as a sponsor of the [Manufacturing Makes it Real Tour](#). Presented by North Carolina State University's [Industrial Extension Service](#), which recently completed a campaign to produce a billion dollars in economic value for the state of North Carolina, the statewide bus tour will recognize North Carolina manufacturers, their products and their employees.

From September 27 through October 1, 2010, the tour will travel to each of the state's seven Economic Development Partnership regions and will stop at two – three sites each day for mini-celebrations. Manufacturers from around the region will be recognized for the products they make, and each company will have the opportunity to contribute an item to be presented to the Governor at the end of the tour.

VIPs from state and local government, the university system and state organizations will be riding the bus from stop to stop, and will help promote the manufacturers and products they see. On the afternoon of the last day of the tour, when the convoy pulls into Raleigh, representatives will deliver to the Governor a small sample of items from a few of the 10,000 manufacturing companies in North Carolina.

About ShopBot:

ShopBot Tools, based in Durham, N.C., designs and manufactures high-value CNC systems. With more than 6,000 ShopBots in 54 countries, ShopBot is one of North America's largest producers of digital fabricators for the wood, plastics, sign making, prototyping, aerospace and DIY markets. In 2008, ShopBot was named to the [Inc. 5000](#) list of the fastest growing private companies in America and was recently named one of the top-25 North Carolina companies to watch by the [Council for Entrepreneurial Development](#). The company employs 25 people in the Durham area. For more information, please visit shopbottools.com and follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/shopbot.

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