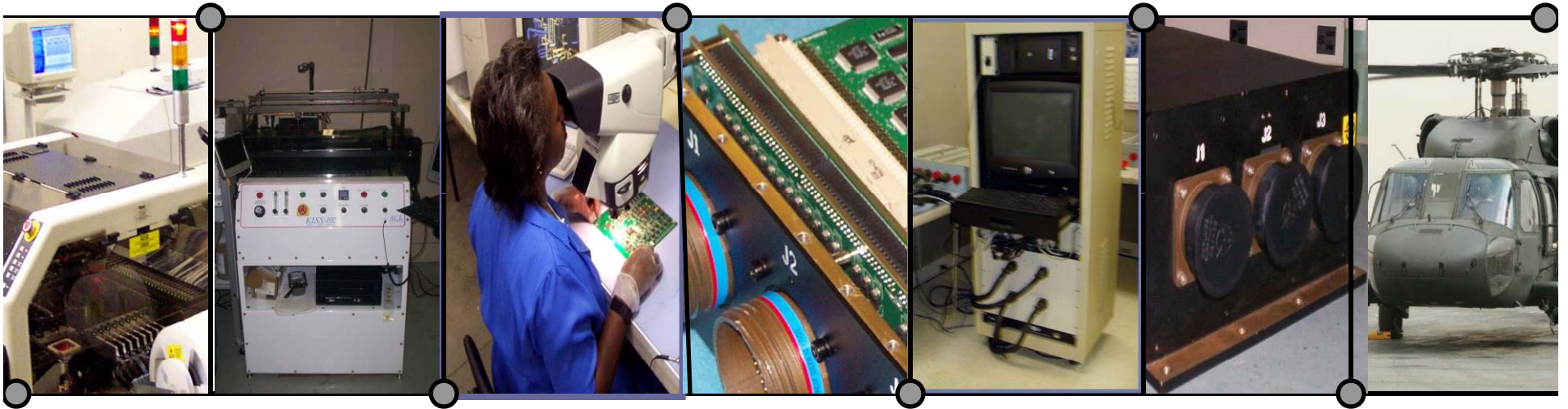


# Esterline

BVR Technologies

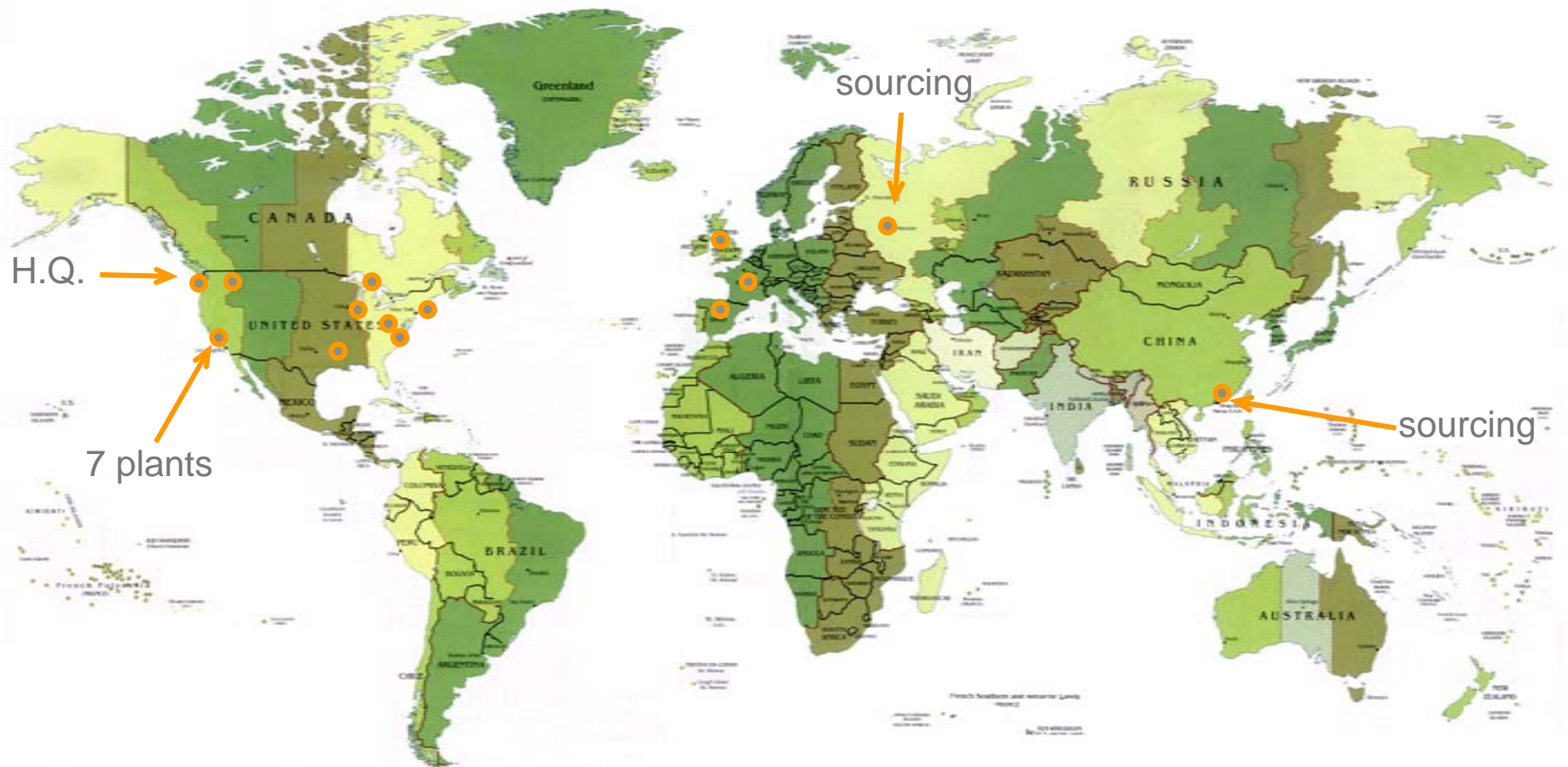


Aras Community Event  
Spring 2008



# Esterline (NYSE: ESL) Overview

- Global Aerospace & Defense
- \$1.2 Billion Annual Revenues
- More than 10,000 Employees Worldwide



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# BVR Technologies

## Operations

- 1944 founded as Beaver Gear Works, a precision gear cutting company
- 1960's Production of the first aircraft indicators
- 2003 Esterline Technologies Corp. acquired BVR Aero Precision

## Product Offerings

- Avionics Computers
- Actuation Systems
- Digital Position Sensors
- Precision Gears and Gear Assemblies
- Select Build to Print



BVR Technologies is a wholly owned subsidiary of Esterline Technologies Corporation headquartered in Bellevue Washington.

Esterline Technologies Corp. is a specialized manufacturing company serving principally aerospace and defense markets. Approximately 80% of total revenues are generated from aerospace/defense markets.

BVR is located approximately 1 hour 15 minutes drive via interstate highway from O'Hare Airport (ORD) and 15 minutes from Chicago Rockford International Airport (RFD). RFD is serviced by select major airlines .

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# BVR Technologies

- 24,000 square foot facility
  - BVR Technologies employs 81 personnel
  - Providing design and DO-178B flight critical software
  - Supported by vertically integrated mechanical, electromechanical manufacturing and assembly
  - Driven by a strategic, lean enterprise environment.
  - BVR has invested heavily in product development, new facilities and equipment, and personnel
  - FY 08 revenues \$18M and growing
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# BVR Technologies - Capabilities



## Mechanical, Electronic and Software Design

- SolidWorks
- COSMOSWorks
- COSMOS FloWorks
- COSMOSMotion
- CodeWarrior
- CodeWright
- PADS
- PSpice
- NI MULTIS



ESD Positive Pressure Room



Pick & place



Selective Soldering



Prototyping & Production



CNC



Grinding



Gear Cutting



Progressive Assembly



Automated Cal. & Test

## Certifications and Registrations

- AS9100 REV B Achieved: 14 April 2005
- Other certifications and registrations... FAA Approved Repair Station Number BPPR794K



Electronic Product Testing  
ATP, ESS, HALT

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# Applying ARAS PLM BVR's Objectives

- Introduce a Consistent Part Numbering System
    - Previous system based on a mix:
      - Supplier part numbers
      - Internal part numbers
      - Customer part numbers
      - Mil-Spec numbers
    - All Documents have a sequentially assigned item number
    - All\* Parts have a sequentially assigned item\_number
  - Eliminate Paper-based Change Management System
    - Introduce search capability
    - Take advantage of (and organize!) the mix of data items
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# Planning is Key to Success

*“I have always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable.” - Dwight D. Eisenhower*

- If you wait for a “Perfect Plan” you’ll never start
  - Develop an Idea of what “DONE” looks like
  - High level list of the major tasks and dates
    - Revisit and re-scope as needed
    - Tactical freedom to adapt and rework ideas as needed
    - Keep eye on what “DONE” looks like
  - Needed Help, Got Help
    - Hired Crucis Technologies to assist in implementation
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# Current Execution Efforts

- Validating and Releasing Designs in Innovator
    - All parts were entered in Innovator as Preliminary at Rev +1
    - Documents and Parts are being tied together prior to release
    - Creating the AML from scratch
    - Added NFND flag to tag duplicate or obsolete parts
  
  - Using Change Management for the last 2 months
    - PR was first
    - ECN was next
    - ECR used heavily to compile Engineering response to RFIs
  
  - Entering piece part families in preparation for use of Publish2Innovator for SolidWorks from Design2Enterprise
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# Current Development Efforts

- Opportunity ItemType Development
    - Contains all information for Customer requests of any type
    - Requires lifecycle and workflow very similar to ECR process but with a different permission and notification model
    - Requires the creation of supporting ItemTypes, platform, market and end user
    - Reports and an Opportunity Dashboard
  - Adding “bad entry” detection to Part, PR, ECR and ECN ItemTypes
  - Change Management Dashboard
  - Interface to Vantage ERP
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# Future Development Efforts

- Investigating creation of the Manufacturing BOM
  - Rework the Meeting ItemType and process to match BVR specific needs
  - Investigation and use of DFMEA, Program Management
  - Reports and Dashboards to track business process performance
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# Key Learnings

## ■ Advantages

- Little or no finger pointing
- Willingness to dig in and invest time and effort to make improvements
- Adoption and adaptation to changes high

A “git'er done” attitude!

## ■ Challenges

- Minimal IT support adds challenges on unrelated, but necessary items like general networking
  - Initially lacked complete understanding of CMII
  - Lacked full understanding of Aras' implementation of CMII
    - Error conditions created from incomplete understanding of implementation
  - Created our own complex Part classification for organizing, implication was overhead to maintain
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Questions????

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**Thank You!**

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