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Veteran-owned Aerospace Company Recognized for Completing \$7.7 Million Air Force Contract

Vetrepreneur Magazine Article Highlights Patriot Taxiway Industries, Inc.

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Patriot Taxiway Industries, Inc, an up and coming, veteran-owned business in the aerospace field, was recently profiled in the January edition of *Vetrepreneur* magazine for completing their large-scale government contract. The company composed of fifteen employees, successfully closed their multi-million dollar contract with the U.S. Air Force, supplying 2,000 Dual Mode Portable STAND GUARD©LED lighting systems to 28 Air Force Bases worldwide.

Patriot Taxiway Industries, Inc stepped into aerospace and aeropart manufacturing a little over 20 months ago in Omro, Wisconsin then transferred to a superior manufacturing plant in Lomira, Wisconsin. Patriot Taxiway president and vetrepreneur, Steven A. Smits, who served in the U.S. Air Force and is still enlisted in the Air National Guard, had a lot weighing on the fulfillment of their first contract. The team comprised of more than 70% veterans, produced and delivered all 2,000 remotely controlled lighting systems on schedule to their international destinations. Smits credited their manufacturing efficiency and the quality of the LED products they provide to the veterans and other team members.

"Their experience, dedication and commitment to a quality product are what helped this company deliver on a \$7.7 million contract," Smits said.

The company's proficient work was acknowledged in January's *Vetrepreneur*, a magazine geared toward building veteran businesses in the United States.

Vice President of Patriot Taxiway, Kevin McDermott, cited the company's dedication to using all resources available to small business, and associating themselves with their market and competitors as reasons for the company's success.

He also said" We are a small business in the eyes of the federal government, and we are aggressive in satisfying the requirements of the Buy American Act (BAA). We are one of the few manufacturers building LED lighting systems here in the US.".

Patriot Taxiway has little doubt they can succeed in such competitive times after successfully completing such a large scale project. With completion of their first



extensive contract under their belts, the company is now looking to additional opportunities for more extensive jobs in the future.

ABOUT PATRIOT TAXIWAY INDUSTRIES, INC.

Patriot Taxiway Industries Inc is a service-disabled veteran owned small business that provides design, manufacturing, and delivery of quality LED products, along with the excellent service and support to their customers worldwide. In addition to portable runway lighting systems, Patriot Taxiway also provides airfield lighting support equipment, helipad lighting, and aircraft lighting to both branches of the military.

Patriot Taxiway Industries Inc actively recruits veterans to draw upon their skills, experience, commitment, and integrity in order to provider a superior product and service. Patriot Taxiway reaches out to the veteran community through the local veteran service officers to reach into the rich experience and knowledge of our veterans.

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