

## **For Immediate Release**

### **Klein Tools® US Products Featured at White House’s ‘Made in America’ Showcase *Illinois company recognized for its commitment to US manufacturing***

**July 23, 2018 (Lincolnshire, Ill.)** – For more than 160 years, American manufacturer [Klein Tools](#) has produced the highest quality, professional-grade hand tools for tradespeople. Today, the sixth-generation, family-owned company brought its innovative U.S.-made products to the White House as part of its “Made in America Product Showcase,” which features American-made products from 50 companies representing their home states. Klein Tools was invited by President Donald J. Trump, Vice President Mike Pence, members of the Administration and White House staff to represent Illinois at this year’s event due to the company’s ongoing commitment to manufacturing tools and supporting jobs in the United States.

“We’re honored to be invited to the White House’s ‘Made in America Product Showcase’ and to represent the great state of Illinois,” says Tom Klein, Sr., chairman of Klein Tools. “My great-great-grandfather founded Klein Tools in Chicago over 160 years ago, and we continue his legacy of manufacturing tools right here in the United States. In fact, no other manufacturer of hand tools used in electrical applications makes more items in America than Klein Tools.”

Founded in 1857, Klein Tools designs, develops and manufactures premium-quality, professional-grade hand tools used in the construction, electrical, utility and mining industries. Klein Tools’ commitment to American manufacturing runs deep – with eight facilities in six states, including its corporate office and world-class forging facility in suburban Chicago, and its state-of-the-art manufacturing headquarters in Mansfield, Texas.

“Over the past seven years, Klein Tools has invested over \$200 million in our U.S. manufacturing facilities,” Klein says. “Providing American-made products not only supports our corporate values, it also allows us to maintain the quality that the professionals who use them every day rely on. That’s why we try to keep our manufacturing as close to home as possible, while delivering only the highest-quality products.”

To combat the nationwide skills gap and attract new talent to the fields that use Klein Tools products every day, the company partners with and donates to multiple organizations that provide training for aspiring tradespeople.

“We are proud not only to be part of driving awareness and support for the American manufacturing industry, but also for the skilled trades as a whole,” Klein continues. “We put a lot of resources behind encouraging and training the next generation to enter the skilled trades through our support of technical schools and universities that provide manufacturing, engineering and CNC machining curriculums.

“On a national level, we support the IBEW-NECA Electrical Training Alliance to develop hands-on opportunities for electrical apprentices throughout the country,” Klein adds. “We also work with SkillsUSA, an organization comprised of students, teachers and industry partners throughout the country, to help ensure that America continues to have a competitive skilled workforce.”

Through ongoing investments in research and development, Klein Tools continues to add new products to its line of American-made products, including the new [Hybrid Pliers](#), [Heavy-Duty Wire Stripper](#), [Long-Nose Wire Stripper/Crimper](#), [All-Purpose Electrician’s Scissors](#) and [Heavy-Duty Diagonal-Cutting Pliers](#).



“We are proud to be an American manufacturer that not only supplies tradespeople with quality products, but also is doing its part to support the next generation of America’s skilled workforce. With more American tradespeople, the stronger America will be,” adds Klein.

For more information about Klein Tools and its American manufacturing, please visit: [www.kleintools.com](http://www.kleintools.com).

**About Klein Tools**

Since 1857, Klein Tools, a family-owned and operated company, has been designing, developing and manufacturing premium-quality, professional-grade hand tools. The majority of Klein tools are manufactured in plants throughout the United States and are the No. 1 choice among professional electricians and other tradespeople. For more information, visit [www.kleintools.com](http://www.kleintools.com).

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