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## Big Investments at the Space Coast Propel Expansion for Burns & McDonnell

MELBOURNE, Florida — Supporting momentum generated by innovative aerospace, defense and space projects along with historical launches along Florida's Space Coast, <u>Burns & McDonnell</u> is opening a new office in Melbourne, Florida.

The new 2,800-square-foot space at 6767 North Wickham Road, Suite 106, is set to open in July. Burns & McDonnell employee-owners there will serve the firm's Southeast clients that work primarily in space facilities and <u>aerospace manufacturing</u>.

"The team of professionals that Burns & McDonnell is assembling in Melbourne will allow us to deliver solutions to our growing number of clients working on state-of-the-art aerospace, defense and space projects," says <u>Richard Pruss</u>, Southeast regional manager for the Global Facilities Group at Burns & McDonnell.

The office will start with about 10 employee-owners and several more <u>job openings</u> are posted for Burns & McDonnell in Melbourne. The firm plans to double the size of the team by next year and have at least 50 employee-owners in the office by 2025.

"Aerospace projects have greatly evolved over the past decade," says <u>Rich Mahaley</u>, vice president and manager for Burns & McDonnell in Orlando. "Companies we partner with are sending groundbreaking satellites and spacecraft into orbit and new companies have emerged on Florida's Space Coast that are revolutionizing the space industry. We couldn't be more thrilled to work with our commercial aerospace partners on these transformative projects."

"This investment from Burns & McDonnell is a true testament to the economic strength of our community," says Lynda L. Weatherman, President and CEO of the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC). "The EDC is pleased to welcome them not only to the Space Coast, but as a member of our Board of Directors."

The Melbourne office is among the design-build firm's most recent expansions following the openings of offices in <u>Atlanta, Georgia</u>; <u>Charlotte, North Carolina</u>; and <u>Huntsville, Alabama</u>.

*Engineering News-Record* ranks Burns & McDonnell No. 10 among the Top 500 Design Firms in the Southeast.

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