



Hartwig, Inc., Okamoto Machine Center, Inc. Partners in Productivity



Gary Biggs as General Manager is proud of his team and their achievements.

“A hallmark of our company is our ability to grind extreme close tolerance parts for tooling and machinery applications.

Our grinding department is the final step in the process for many of our projects before delivery to our customers.

We're equipped with a full compliment of surface grinders and ID/OD cylindrical grinders, including

a new **OKAMOTO** cylindrical grinder that increases our capacity and enhances our capabilities.

One of the world's leading machine tool builders relies on Machine Center for mission critical parts and tooling components that are used on their machines. Our ability to start production in our CNC lathes and CNC mills, then deliver a finely crafted group of parts to heat treat, then finish the parts in our grinding shop is a cornerstone of our production capability.”

Rick Baalman is the lead man in the grinding area. These are his comments:

“Easy to learn - Anyone can set-up, program, and grind after one day of training. It's great for production jobs because its' simplicity allows him to turn it over to another operator after he starts the job. The chance of making a bad part is very low.”

“3 step programming is awesome - You don't need a full cnc machine to be able to program three different diameters at once.”

“Very rigid - I can put very heavy parts on the work head and remove material quickly in plunge grind mode. The ID attachment is solid therefore long ID bores finish straight. It's nice not to whack the bottom of a blind hole.”

“Extremely accurate - We hold +/- .0001” all day long”

“Easy maintenance – We just change the oil once a year and grease a couple points on the table every six months. I recommend the paper filter for the coolant.”

