

## CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

## FEATURE INDUSTRY

## Autoliv Canada Inc.

WHEREAS the Mayor and Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent recognize the contribution that corporate citizens have made and are making to enhance the economic health of this community;

Autoliv Canada Inc. was founded in 1998. It is a subsidiary of Autoliv Inc. who manufactures and supplies automotive safety systems to almost all of the automotive manufacturers worldwide. The Autoliv Canada plant is located in Tilbury, Ontario. The original building was expanded in 2005 to accommodate more looms for weaving and a new scouring process.

Opened as a textile facility in 1999, Autoliv Canada weaves fabric using the patented One Piece Woven (OPW) process. The Tilbury facility is classified as a Tier 2/3 supplier to the end customer, an original equipment manufacturer such as; Toyota, Honda, Nissan, Kia, GM, Chrysler, Ford and Tesla.

Autoliv Inc. has locations and joint ventures in 29 countries totalling 80 facilities worldwide. The company also has several technical centres and 20 crash test tracks, more than any other automotive safety supplier.

Autoliv Inc. is engaged in a process of continuous improvement and breakthrough in manufacturing to create customer value and has achieved their ISO/TS16949 and ISO 14001 designations.

Autoliv Inc. has implemented the principles of Lean Manufacturing throughout its plants under the name Autoliv Production System (APS). The APS is a process of continuous improvement, of progressing further each day in satisfying - and exceeding – their customers' expectations. APS is a method to help every single Autoliv plant to grow towards excellence.

Autoliv Canada Inc. is a valued employer in the community with a skilled workforce of 170 employees that operate the Tilbury facility across a number of different departments including weaving, coating, shipping, and prototype & test laboratories. The facility maintains as many as four shifts on a 24 hour basis seven days a week.

The company is involved in the community through various donations including Big Bike for Heart & Stroke Foundation, United Way, Tilbury Help Centre and Tilbury Christmas Family sponsorship to name a few.

NOW THEREFORE I, Randy Hope, Mayor and CEO of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, proclaim that Autoliv Inc. is hereby designated as the "Feature Industry" for the month of November 2014.

PROCLAIMED at Chatham-Kent, Ontario this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2014.

Randy R. Hope Mayor/CEO, Municipality of Chatham-Kent

On Behalf of Chatham-Kent Council:

