

Sensus to Expand Operations in Covington, Louisiana

Manufacturing hub creates technology that runs Internet of Things

RALEIGH, NC (Dec. 9, 2015) – ([Click to Tweet](#)) – The Historic [City of Covington](#), already the engineering center for Sensus communications and metering solutions, will soon also be a manufacturing location for critical smart city infrastructure. Sensus is expanding its footprint in St. Tammany Parish to provide its utility partners with the most robust, reliable, storm-hardened, two-way communication solution. The new Sensus facility will design and manufacture a wide range of utility solutions including the recently released [M400 FlexNet® Base Station](#).

In order to improve lead times and drive six sigma quality initiatives Sensus decided to bring M400 manufacturing in-house. Additional design engineers and operations and production staff will be hired. The Sensus manufacturing facility is expected to open in early 2016. The 6,000 square foot space is large enough to meet future expansion needs

“Wirelessly and securely transporting critical data for electric, water and gas utilities provides the basis for smart infrastructure,” said Sensus President Randy Bays. “We have extended these capabilities to all types of sensors such as distribution automation, lighting controls and IoT devices. The speed, latency and operational effectiveness of two-way communication are critical to successfully implementing a reliable network infrastructure.”

The locally produced M400 offers utilities a better design, smaller size and more computing capabilities. It supports multiple applications and helps utilities save significant operating cost by utilizing the point-to-multipoint technology to isolate and restore outages faster than other network systems.

Louisiana is the birthplace of FlexNet, which became part of the Sensus technology portfolio in 2006. The long-range radio network provides a scalable two-way communications infrastructure. Working with smart meters and sensors, the FlexNet system securely transmits and receives data that improves the efficiency of utility operations.

About Sensus

Sensus helps a wide range of public service providers—from utilities to cities to industrial complexes and campuses—do more with their infrastructure to improve quality of life in their communities. We enable our customers to reach farther through the application of technology and data-driven insights that deliver efficiency and responsiveness. We partner with them to anticipate and respond to evolving business needs with innovation in sensing and communications technologies, data analytics and services. Learn more at [sensus.com](https://www.sensus.com) and follow @SensusGlobal on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#).

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