

TPS, Caterpillar celebrate production



Texas Power Systems and Caterpillar are patting themselves on the back for a job well done. The local plant recently celebrated the production of their 25,000th Cat engine. Courtesy photo

(Seguin) -- Twenty-five thousand and counting. Texas Power Systems (TPS) and Caterpillar recently celebrated the production of the 25,000th Cat engine at the Seguin engine facility.

In 2009, Caterpillar announced the construction of a state-of-the-art assembly and manufacturing facility here in Seguin. The plant is a consolidation of Caterpillar's engine assembly, testing and painting operations. TPS builds the C9, C11, C13, C15 and C18 Cat engines.

Larry Bosley, vice president and general manager of Texas Power Systems says he is proud of the facility especially after the first

engine came off the line in June 2010.

"Texas Power Systems is proud to produce such a great product for Caterpillar. Having built 25,000 engines in just a year demonstrates the capability of our Seguin workforce," said Bosley.

Plant officials say the Seguin TPS facility has allowed the company to optimize efficiency by improving process capability, flexibility and flow of its operations.

Also celebrating is Caterpillar manager Alex Perez-Sandi. Perez-Sandi says its a milestone worth celebrating.

"We have been really impressed with Texas

Power System's ability to meet our production requirements in such a short period of time. The quality from Seguin has been excellent," said Perez-Sandi.

As a way to applaud the plant's success, TPS officials hosted a barbecue for its employees.

Caterpillar is the world's leading manufacturer of construction and mining equipment, diesel and natural gas engines, industrial gas turbines and diesel-electric locomotives. The company also is a leading services provider through Caterpillar Financial Services, Caterpillar Remanufacturing Services, Caterpillar Logistics Services and Progress Rail Services.