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GLI Advances CMMC Level 2 Readiness Through Third-Party C3PAO Assessment Activities

Third-party assessment activities reinforce commitment to compliant manufacturing environments for defense customers

Milwaukee, Wisconsin — Great Lakes Industrial (GLI), a supplier of elastomer components, molded rubber, gasket manufacturing, and sealing solutions for defense and industrial applications, announced today that the company is advancing its Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Level 2 readiness efforts through third-party C3PAO assessment activities.

The initiative reinforces GLI's commitment to supporting defense contractors, OEMs, and suppliers navigating evolving cybersecurity and compliance requirements across the defense supply chain.

As Department of Defense (DoD) cybersecurity requirements continue extending throughout the supply chain under:

- DFARS 252.204-7021
- DFARS 252.204-7012
- NIST SP 800-171

Manufacturers and suppliers face growing pressure to ensure their internal systems, operational environments, and supplier networks can securely support Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI). GLI's CMMC readiness efforts are intended to support customers through:

- Third-party assessed CMMC readiness activities

- Reduced supply chain compliance risk
- Support for secure manufacturing and CUI-related requirements where applicable
- Continued access to:
 - Elastomer distribution
 - Molded rubber manufacturing
 - Gasket manufacturing capabilities

“As CMMC requirements continue moving through the defense supply chain, supplier readiness has become increasingly important,” said Brad Hiller, Vice President of Sales at GLI. “Our ongoing CMMC Level 2 readiness efforts and third-party assessment activities reinforce our commitment to supporting customers with trusted manufacturing capabilities, cybersecurity alignment, and supply chain confidence.”

About Great Lakes Industrial

Great Lakes Industrial is a third-generation, family-owned industrial solutions provider serving equipment manufacturers and repair operators globally. The company specializes in engineered sealing solutions, including rubber and related materials, and partners closely with customers to support performance in demanding applications. Founded in 1954, Great Lakes Industrial is known for its collaborative approach, technical expertise, and long-standing customer relationships.

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