

Need a job? A growing manufacturer that started in a barn is moving to Piqua



Innovated Technologies plans to move to 9700 Looney Road, Piqua. CONTRIBUTED

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A growing manufacturer is moving to Piqua and could double its employees.

Innovated Technologies, an automation systems maker, is planning to move to a warehouse it bought at 9700 Looney Rd., according to Tim Echemann, of Industrial Property Brokers, who brokered the real estate sale.

The seller was Unity National Bank. The building sold for \$645,000, according to Miami County property records.

Innovated Technologies LLC was started by Brian Preston in 2009 in his barn in Miami County. In 2014, he leased about 8,500 square feet of manufacturing space at 2851 Millcreek Rd. in Sidney.

“Sales have been growing 50 percent or so each year for the past six years and we now have 18 full-time employees and could add another 20 once we move into the new space,” Preston said in a statement.

The 24,000-square-foot building is on about 3.3 acres.

Preston said he is investing more than \$200,000 on building improvements, with the construction project led by Harlow Builders.

The company should move in within 90 days.