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## FREEMAN MANUFACTURING & SUPPLY ACQUIRES MATT WAX LINE OF JEWELRY CARVING WAXES

AVON, Ohio—JANUARY 19, 2017—Today, Freeman Manufacturing & Supply Company announced the acquisition of Du-Matt and its world-renown lines of Matt Wax jewelry carving waxes, tools, and educational materials.

Du-Matt was founded in 1974 and incorporated in 1977 by Adolfo Mattielio and his wife, Delia. With over 30 years of contributing his expertise to New York City manufacturing firms, jeweler, model-maker and author, Adolfo Mattiello developed the Matt Wax product line as he came across the need to facilitate the wax model-making process, while delivering consistent, accurate product.

Starting today, his waxes will join the Freeman family of premium jewelry waxes, which includes the Ferris<sup>®</sup> File-A-Wax<sup>®</sup> carving/milling waxes, the Freeman Flakes<sup>™</sup> jewelry injection waxes, and more. The original Du-Matt equipment is being moved to Freeman's facility in Avon, OH. Therefore, the Matt Wax line will remain a separate (and complementary) line from the Ferris line, each following their respective formulas, thus ensuring that the jewelry world continues to have access to the two most respected carving wax brands in the world.

"We are thrilled to bring this esteemed line of premium wax products into our company. With the Freeman-branded waxes, Ferris waxes, and Matt waxes now all under one roof, we will be able to extend these lines even further and continue to innovate for modern jewelry designers and manufacturers," said Matthew Turco, President of Freeman.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

For further information please contact Monica Crum at 440-934-1902 x150. For more details on the company, visit <u>www.freemanwax.com</u>

## **About Freeman**

Starting as a foundry patternshop in Maumee, Ohio in 1902, Freeman Manufacturing & Supply Company has evolved from reselling supplies to other local pattern shops to becoming one of the world's top manufacturers and distributors of what is referred to as soft tooling materials—consisting of urethane, epoxy, wax, wood, or silicone (as opposed to hard metal tooling). Now headquartered in Avon, Ohio, Freeman continues to be a global leader in manufacturing specialty waxes and polyurethanes while remaining dedicated to its core as North America's largest industry supplier of tooling materials with fourteen warehouse locations throughout the United States and Canada.