

November 9, 2005: S2 report: [Sun Hydraulics posts more increases](#)

Gulf Coast-based Sun Hydraulics reported increases all around in its third quarter earnings report yesterday. For the third quarter of 2005, net sales increased to \$28.7 million, an increase of 24% over 3Q 2004, and net income rose 53%, to \$2.9 million. Year-to-date, the company has increased net sales by 25% compared to last year, to \$88.8 million, and net income has risen by 71%, to \$9.9 million, or \$0.92 per share (compared to \$0.57 per share for the first nine months of 2004). Sun Hydraulics expects the fourth quarter of 2005 to continue the upward trend. The company also announced yesterday that its CFO, Dick Dobbyn, will retire in early 2006, to be replaced by Tricia Fulton. The company will broadcast its third quarter financial results conference call today at 2:30 pm. For more information, visit www.sunhydraulics.com.

November 9, 2005: S2 report: [Gemesis makes national news](#)

Yesterday, msn.com money columnist Jennifer Mulrean posted an article about man-made diamonds, and the star of the story is none other than Bradenton-based Gemesis, which specializes in creating colored diamonds. The article quotes Gemesis president David Hellier saying that Gemesis can create a three-carat rough diamond in about four and a half days. The story is basically a big thumbs-up to Gemesis in particular, emphasizing the price and value benefits of man-made diamonds.

The [Manufacturers Association of Central Florida](#) and one of its members, Al Stimac, have recently been recognized by the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) in their poster-of-the-week series. Al is a NAM board member and described by Nam president Engler as “do-er, a rocket and the personification not only of the best of manufacturing but also of the American Dream.” See Al’s poster at ([NAM Poster of the Week](#)).

November 9, 2005: PRNewswire: [SeaStrike Boats Moves Production to 200,000 Sq. ft. Plant in Perry, Florida](#)

SeaStrike Boats LLC, the manufacturer of sportfishing boats, announced that it has purchased the nearly 200,000 sq. ft. former Sport-Craft boat manufacturing facility in Perry, Florida. SeaStrike President Tom Thies said that SeaStrike would be moving its entire manufacturing operation to the 40 acre Perry location within the next two months. Corporate headquarters will remain in Ft. Lauderdale. He expects to hire many of the experienced former employees of Sport-Craft, among others. He anticipates hiring up to 50 people by the end of the year, with another 100 being brought on next year, depending on sales, bringing the total employees to 150. "Sport-Craft was once one of the largest employers in Taylor County and we're looking to exceed that number in the next few years," he said.

November 9, 2005: Triangle Business Journal: [Morrisville biotech picks Florida firm to supply drug](#)

BioDelivery Sciences International has chosen a Florida company to manufacture supplies of the cancer pain drug BDSI is developing. Aveva Drug Delivery Systems will make supplies of BDSI's Bema Fentanyl drug for upcoming phase III clinical trials, usually the last stage of human testing. BDSI also has contracted with Aveva to handle commercial manufacturing of Bema Fentanyl if the drug wins U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval.