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## Whitcraft inks \$234M Pratt contract



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*Whitcraft CEO Colin Cooper*

Eastford aerospace manufacturer Whitcraft Group announced Monday it has signed a 10-year, \$234 million contract to supply parts and assemblies for the new engine family of East Hartford jet engine maker Pratt & Whitney.

All three of Whitcraft's facilities in the state will supply component to Pratt's new PurePower engine family: the Eastford facility will produce sheet metal parts while the Farmington and Plainville facilities will supply precision machined parts.

At the peak of production in 2020, Whitcraft expects to yield \$30 million in annual revenue from the contract.

In anticipation of entering into this agreement, Whitcraft has hired 30 new employees in the past two months and is working with state schools to train the types of employees needed to fully execute the contract.