

Berlin Economic Development Commission Business of the Year Award
Presented on April 2, 2014 by Mayor Rachel Rochette

The Business of the Year Award is presented to a company that has made a significant investment in Berlin. This year TOMZ Corporation is again expanding its business so it is appropriate that they are the first two time recipient of the Business of the Year Award.

TOMZ is a privately owned family business established on Episcopal Road in Berlin in 1988 by Zbigniew Matulaniec. The company specializes in the precision manufacturing of parts for the aerospace and medical industries. TOMZ manufactures products ranging from Class II implants and surgical instruments for medical device makers to specific customer designed aircraft components for aerospace customers. This year the company is investing \$6.5 million to purchase machinery and equipment, add 8,000 square feet of space and acquire 4 acres from its neighbor Corbin and Russwin to accommodate future expansion. The company now has a facility of 100,000 square feet and employs over 120 people.

TOMZ recognizes that a key to its future growth is attracting and training skilled machinists and is starting new in-house training programs to meet this need. They are currently actively recruiting new skilled employees.

I am honored to present the 2014 Berlin Business of the Year Award to Tom Matulaniec, Vice President.