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Hobbs Bonded Fibers of Waco, Texas announces consolidation and relocation of business activities at its Trenton, Tenn. plant effective June 1, 2019. The consolidation will include relocating selected parts of the Trenton business to Waco and discontinuing other areas of production.

The Trenton factory has been a producer of acoustic insulation for sedan trunk liners, wheel well, deck lids, and under-carpet acoustics, but automotive consumer preferences have shifted from sedans to truck and SUV models, according to Larry Hobbs, CEO of Hobbs Bonded Fibers.

“The shift in consumer preferences has resulted in a shift in manufacturing,” Hobbs said, explaining that the Waco plant has the capacity and machinery to accommodate those changes.

Hobbs said the final day of production at the Trenton facility will be May 31, 2019.

Impacted employees will receive severance packages from the company and outplacement services from appropriate agencies to ensure they have support during this transition. All Trenton employees will have the opportunity to continue their employment by applying with the company at the Waco facility.

Hobbs Bonded Fibers manufactures nonwoven materials for the automotive, industrial, and consumer quilt batting industries.