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M-D Building Products breaks ground on new warehouse

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M-D Building Products building. (Maike Sabolich)

OKLAHOMA CITY – Local weatherproofing company M-D Building Products is building a \$4 million, 80,000-square-foot warehouse and distribution center at its headquarters in the Santa Fe Industrial Park between NE 36th and 50th streets.

The company broke ground on the new facility Saturday and expects construction to take about six months.

“The expansion is an opportunity to streamline some of our warehouse and distribution process,” said Loren Plotkin, president and chief executive of M-D Building Products. “This will allow us to ship our products to retail stores around

the country more effectively and give us more room for expansion and new products that we’re constantly working on.”

The new warehouse will be next to M-D Building Product’s 450,000-square-foot manufacturing and distribution center in Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma City-based Gardner Tanenbaum Group is serving as the developer of the project.

M-D Building Products has owned a large piece of land in the Santa Fe Industrial Park for several years and has room to eventually build another 80,000-square-foot warehouse as the company’s expansion requires, Plotkin said.

The weatherproofing company has been largely insulated from the chilling effects of a weak construction market because its products are mostly geared toward making existing homes more energy-efficient.

The company, which just celebrated its 90-year anniversary this year, manufactures and markets residential and commercial weatherproofing products, including door and window weather-stripping, garage door weather-stripping and pipe insulation.

“M-D Building Products remains a pillar of strength in Oklahoma City’s manufacturing community,” said Roy Williams, president of the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber, in a written statement. “We are pleased to see the company continue to invest in Oklahoma City. M-D Building Products gives Oklahoma City the distinction of being the home to America’s only domestic manufacturer of weatherization products.”

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