

UK DELEGATION



Southeastern USA Trade Mission

Georgia and South Carolina
6-9 October 2026

SMMT
DRIVING THE
MOTOR INDUSTRY 

**THE SOCIETY OF
MOTOR MANUFACTURERS
AND TRADERS LIMITED**

Communications and International Department
71 Great Peter Street,
London SW1P 2BN, UK

+44 (0)20 7235 7000
international@smmmt.co.uk
www.smmmt.co.uk

SMMT, the 'S' symbol and the 'Driving the motor industry' brandline are trademarks of SMMT Ltd.

Organiser



The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) is one of the largest and most influential trade associations in the UK. Its resources, reputation and unrivalled automotive data place it at the heart of the UK automotive industry.

The UK manufactures almost every type of vehicle, from cars to vans, taxis, trucks, buses and coaches, as well as specialist and off-highway vehicles, supported by more than 2,500 component providers and some of the world's most skilled engineers. In addition, the sector has vibrant aftermarket and remanufacturing industries.

The sector accounts for 11.2% of UK manufactured goods exports (10% of total goods exports) and ships vehicles to more than 140 countries – including the US, the largest single country for UK automotive exports.

SMMT has organised this trade mission to help the 6 participating UK companies build valuable connections and explore new business opportunities to create a platform for long-term growth and success in the US market.



Website



LinkedIn

Ruta Aisthorpe Director of Global Operations and Partnerships

T: +44 (0) 7809 522183

E: raisthorpe@smmt.co.uk

Simon Winterbottom International Manager

T: +44 (0) 7890 608696

E: swinterbottom@smmt.co.uk



Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade

Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade provides trade and investment services and practical support. We help UK companies succeed in the USA, and US companies set up and invest in the UK.

We offer expertise and contacts through our extensive network of specialists in the UK, and staff in the British Embassy in Washington, and the British Consulates General in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York and San Francisco.



Website



LinkedIn

Seth Jacobs Senior Trade and Investment
Officer, Advanced Manufacturing

T: +1 470 696 3980

E: seth.jacobs@fcdo.gov.uk



AE Rubber (UK) Ltd

AE Rubber (UK) Ltd is a trusted global partner to automotive OEMs and tier 1-N customers in Europe, Asia and the Americas.

Delivering bespoke rubber, plastic and polyurethane components for demanding vehicle applications since 2010.

These include mouldings, formed hoses, extrusions, seals, gaiters and hose assemblies.

Our experienced team supports customers from concept and material selection through DFM, tooling, PPAP and production supply.

AE Rubber (UK) Ltd combines technical expertise, flexible manufacturing and responsive service to support new platforms, ongoing programmes, and aftermarket requirements.

It's likely you travelled with one or more of our components today!



Website



LinkedIn

Karl Snitch Managing Director

T: +44 (0) 7970 951735

E: ksnitch@aerubber.co.uk



Automotive Smart Grid

Automotive Smart Grid (ASG) is an engineering company reinventing the electronic architecture of the modern vehicle.

Today's cars carry miles of wiring and dozens of separate control units; ASG replaces both with a single ring network and one shared vehicle state, updated every millisecond. The result is a lighter, simpler, more reliable architecture that cuts wiring and component costs while speeding up software development, built for the shift to software-defined vehicles.

ASG's team brings over two decades of automotive electronics experience, with technology proven alongside OEMs and Tier 1 suppliers internationally. ASG is a UK-incorporated R&D company now bringing this architecture to US manufacturers.



Website



LinkedIn

Alexander Lazutin Managing Director

T: +44 (0) 7840 556150

E: info@automotivesmartgrid.com



Intermotor Group Ltd

Intermotor Group is a UK based automotive manufacturer and supplier specializing in high-quality engine management, emissions, ignition and fuelling components for the automotive OE/OES/Tier 1 and Aftermarket sectors.

With manufacturing facilities in the UK and Poland, Intermotor Group combines engineering expertise, product quality, strong technical knowledge and global supply capability to support customers across North America, UK, Europe, Oceania and international markets.



Website



LinkedIn

Ross Toomey Managing Director

T: +44(0) 7971 658684

E: rtoomey@intermotor.com



NexusIIAuto

Nexus Industrial Innovation Advisory Ltd (NexusIIAuto) is a London-based Tier 1 automotive supplier helping localise EV component supply chains across the UK, Europe and North America.

With 20 years' experience supplying Geely Holding Group in China, our IATF 16949:2016-certified facility produces approximately 3 million stamped parts monthly across more than 1,000 part types for leading EV brands, including Zeekr, Lynk & Co and Geely Auto.

Our portfolio covers battery housings, body structures, chassis and suspension, and powertrain components. Combining UK-based accountability with proven manufacturing scale, we deliver cost-competitive production, supply-chain resilience and a commitment to excellence and zero defects.



Website



LinkedIn

Monica Dong Managing Director

T: +44 (0) 7891 834896

E: info@nexusiiauto.co.uk

PRYOR

Pryor Technology

Pryor Marking Technology is a world leader in the manufacture and design of marking, identification and traceability solutions.

Founded in 1849, the company's success is built on providing solutions for all manufacturing industries, with extensive expertise in aerospace and automotive standards.

Today, with in-house electrical, mechanical and software development, the company is able to offer full turnkey solutions for all sizes of industrial application, integrating robotics, machine vision and automation. Operating from sites in the UK, USA, and France, Pryor serves an extensive customer base, supported by a comprehensive distributor network in over 50 countries across the globe.



Website



LinkedIn

Mike Kozloff Chief Operations Officer

T: +1 804 618 8952

E: m.kozloff@pryortechnology.com



Sealey

Founded in 1978 the SEALEY™ name now has a global reputation for Innovation, Quality and Aftersales Service.

100% Family owned and run, here you will find one of the world's largest ranges of tools and workshop essentials, backed up by total compliance testing, unparalleled aftersales service, parts availability, and extended guarantees.

Of specific interest to our SMMT contacts will be our quality range of time saving vehicle service tools.

Working through a global network in over 65 countries Sealey supports its overseas distributors with extensive marketing support.

Our experienced export team has deep knowledge of logistics to ensure consignments reach their destination as promptly and smoothly as possible.



Website



LinkedIn

Jim Fanshawe Export Manager

T: +44 (0) 7467 941436

E: j.fanshawe@sealey.co.uk

**THE SOCIETY OF
MOTOR MANUFACTURERS
AND TRADERS LIMITED**

Communications and
International Department
71 Great Peter Street,
London SW1P 2BN, UK

www.smmmt.co.uk

SMMT
DRIVING THE
MOTOR INDUSTRY

