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Manufacturer Chooses Halifax County for New Facility

JBB Packaging will create 50 jobs and invest \$11.9 million

Halifax, N.C. – JBB Packaging, LLC, a plastic packaging manufacturer, will open a new plastic film manufacturing facility in Halifax County, creating 50 jobs, Governor Roy Cooper announced today. The company plans to invest \$11.9 million at the former Flambeau Building in Weldon.

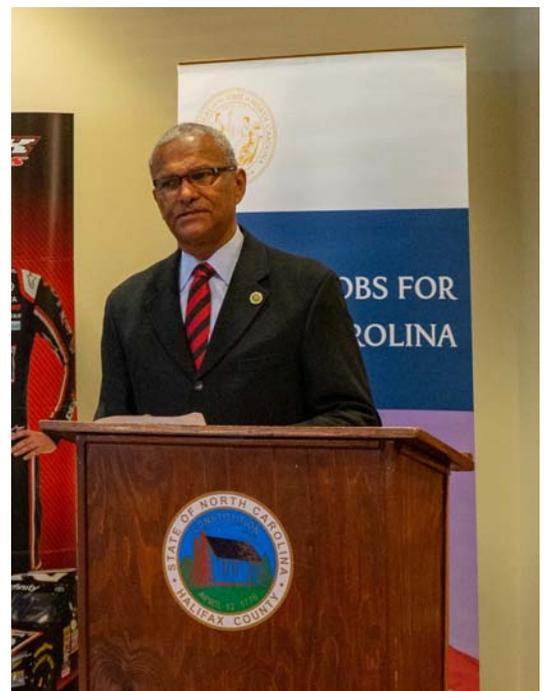
“Manufacturers continue to choose North Carolina because of our strong infrastructure and experienced manufacturing workforce,” said Governor Cooper. “JBB Packaging has found the perfect location in Halifax County, and they’ll find a workforce and community here to help them succeed.”

JBB Packaging will recycle plastics and produce flexible packaging/garment bags. The company will renovate the former Flambeau Building in Becker Industrial Park and host state-of-the-art equipment producing the highest quality packaging at the most affordable cost.

“JBB Packaging chose this location at the Becker Industrial Park because it was formerly used for plastics manufacturing, it has the space they need now and for future growth, and it’s half a mile from Interstate 95,” said Commerce Secretary Anthony M. Copeland, who made the announcement today along with Vernon Bryant, Chairman of the Halifax County Board of Commissioners. “It’s this combination of infrastructure and industry expertise that makes Halifax County a winning choice for manufacturers.”

Salaries for the new position will vary. Once all positions are filled, the average salary is expected to be \$40,400, above the Halifax County average salary of \$31,839.

A performance-based grant of \$150,000 from the One North Carolina Fund will help facilitate JBB Packaging’s move to Halifax County. The One NC Fund provides financial assistance to local governments to help attract economic investment and to create jobs. Companies receive no money upfront and must meet job creation and capital investment targets to qualify for payment. All One NC grants require a matching grant from local governments and any award is contingent upon that condition being met.



“We’re very pleased that JBB Packaging has selected Halifax County its new manufacturing facility,” said N.C. Senator Toby Fitch, Jr. “I welcome and look forward to working with the company’s executives to help them find success here.”

“Many local organizations and leaders worked together to help this company locate in Halifax County,” said N.C. Representative Michael H. Wray. “We’re proud of this collaboration and are ready to assist JBB Packaging as they grow in North Carolina.”

JBB Packaging is bringing quality, well-paying manufacturing jobs and a significant capital investment to Halifax County,” said Vernon Bryant, Chairman of the Halifax County Board of Commissioners. I am proud of our community’s effort to maximize our business talent, resources, and collaborative spirit to support the location of JBB Packaging,” Bryant added.

In addition to the North Carolina Commerce and the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina, other key partners in the project include the North Carolina General Assembly, the North Carolina Community College System, NC Railroad, Halifax County, Halifax Horizons, and the Halifax County Economic Development Commission.

About Halifax County EDC

The Halifax County Economic Development Commission (HCEDC) is the lead economic development organization for Halifax County. The mission of the Halifax County Economic Development Commission is to support the creation of new jobs and investment in Halifax County and the retention and expansion of Halifax County's existing business and industry. For additional information, contact the Halifax County EDC at 252-519-2630 or visit www.halifaxdevelopment.com.