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OHIO CONTINUES TO ATTRACT JOBS

Companies to Create 1,215 Jobs and Retain 1,047 Jobs Statewide

COLUMBUS – Gov. John R. Kasich today announced the approval of assistance for 10 projects set to create more than 1,200 jobs and retain 1,047 jobs statewide. During the Ohio Tax Credit Authority's (TCA) monthly meeting, it reviewed economic development proposals brought to the board by JobsOhio and its regional partners. Together the projects are expected to result in more than \$53 million in new payroll and \$92 million in investment across Ohio.

Projects approved by the TCA include:

Exel Direct, Inc. (Location TBD) expects to create 95 full-time positions, generating \$5.8 million in additional annual payroll and retaining \$3.7 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's new project at a to-be-determined project location. Exel Direct provides full service logistics solutions and specializes in delivering large items for retailers and distributors. The TCA approved a 50 percent, seven-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

CENTRAL OHIO

Avnet, Inc. and Approved Affiliates, Village of Obetz (Franklin Co.) expects to create 300 full-time positions, generating \$11.3 million in additional annual payroll and retaining \$12.5 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's consolidation project in the Village of Obetz (Franklin Co.). Avnet is one of the largest distributors of electronic components, computer products and embedded technology serving customers globally. The TCA approved a 70 percent, eight-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

FCX Performance, Inc., City of Columbus (Franklin Co.) expects to create 19 full-time positions generating \$860,080 in additional annual payroll and retaining \$4.6 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the City of Columbus (Franklin Co.). FCX Performance provides process flow control solutions and products to a variety of process industries. The TCA approved a 35 percent, six-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

lululemon athletica, Inc., City of Columbus (Franklin Co.) expects to create 170 full-time positions, generating \$6 million in additional annual payroll as a result of the company's new location project in the City of Columbus (Franklin Co.). lululemon sells high-end athletic clothing, specifically for yoga and running. The TCA approved a 55 percent, 10-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

Pillar Technology Group LLC, City of Columbus (Franklin Co.) expects to create 40 full-time positions, generating \$3 million in additional annual payroll and retaining \$3.7 million in existing

payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the City of Columbus (Franklin Co.). Pillar Technology Group is a software development and strategic business consulting company that creates software solutions. The TCA approved a 45 percent, six-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

SOUTHEAST OHIO

SAEC/Kinetic Vision Inc., Village of Evendale (Hamilton Co.) expects to create 30 full-time positions, generating \$1.4 million in additional annual payroll and retaining \$2.6 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the Village of Evendale (Hamilton Co.). Kinetic Vision provides full-service product development, including concept ideation and industrial design, prototype development, product design and engineering, custom software development, reverse engineering, product visual communication and digital media creation. The TCA approved a 40 percent, five-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

ThyssenKrupp Bilstein of America Inc., City of Hamilton (Butler Co.) expects to create 100 full-time positions, generating \$2.9 million in additional annual payroll and retaining \$12.3 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the City of Hamilton (Butler Co.). ThyssenKrupp Bilstein of America supplies damping and suspension products. The TCA approved a 45 percent, six-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

NORTHEAST OHIO

Constant Aviation, LLC, City of Cleveland (Cuyahoga Co.) expects to create 300 full-time positions, generating \$13.8 million in additional annual payroll and retaining \$8.7 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the City of Cleveland (Cuyahoga Co.). Constant Aviation specializes in airframe maintenance, engine repair maintenance, major repairs, avionics, interior refurbishment and modification, parts distribution, and accessory and composite services. The TCA approved a 60 percent, seven-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

NORTHWEST OHIO

Jacobson Mfg – Tiffin LLC, City of Tiffin (Seneca Co.) expects to create 21 full-time positions, generating \$698,880 in additional annual payroll and retaining \$1.5 million in existing payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the City of Tiffin (Seneca Co.). Jacobson Mfg – Tiffin is a manufacturer who primary process is cold forming. The TCA approved a 35 percent, five-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

WESTERN OHIO

Pratt (Lewisburg Container), LLC, Village of Lewisburg (Preble Co.) expects to create 140 full-time positions, generating \$8 million in additional annual payroll as a result of the company's expansion project in the Village of Lewisburg (Preble Co.). Pratt manufactures and sells 100 percent recycled boxes and packaging materials. The TCA approved a 65 percent, 10-year Job Creation Tax Credit for this project.

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