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P&G names plans to invest \$501 million, add 135 jobs in Allen County

LIMA, OH — A global leader of consumer goods, personal care and household products has announced plans for a \$501 million investment and the addition of 135 new jobs at its facility in Allen County.

The Procter & Gamble Company is expected to add a new product line while expanding its manufacturing and warehousing space at its Lima plant in order to meet the growing demand of its laundry business.

Earlier today, the company received approval of a Job Creation Tax Credit through the Ohio Tax Credit Authority. The project is in the early stages and is still pending the approval of local and state incentives.

"We are excited to explore the potential expansion of our operations Lima, in order to better meet demand for our products and serve our consumers," said Plant Manager, John Shaver. "We are grateful to the Lima community, a place we have called home since 1968, for their continued support, and we look forward to many years of partnership and growth."

Procter & Gamble began operations in Allen County over 50 years ago and has expanded multiple times. It currently has 749 full-time employees and about 600 contract employees at the local operation. Its headquarters is located in Cincinnati and the company has 11,000 employees in Ohio.

Allen Economic Development Group, the Regional Growth Partnership, JobsOhio and other private and public entities worked with the company to provide assistance for this project.

"Allen Economic Development Group and the leaders of Lima/Allen County are committed to assisting our businesses as they reach their full potential," said Dave Stratton, President and CEO of AEDG. "Incentive opportunities support businesses like Procter and Gamble, which continue to invest in their local operations and support community and economic development that enriches all residents of the Greater Lima Region."

An abundance of talent, passion and work ethic have helped Northwest Ohio become one of the most robust environments for advanced manufacturing. With a comprehensive transportation network to move product in and out, combined with a trained, dedicated manufacturing workforce, Northwest Ohio is recognized as a leading location for business. In just the last five years, businesses have invested more than \$5.8 billion into new or expanding manufacturing operations, creating more than 11,000 new jobs.

"We are grateful that Procter & Gamble, a global brand and icon of Ohio ingenuity, is looking to invest more than \$500 million to build one of its largest U.S. manufacturing plants in Lima, Ohio," said J.P. Nauseef, president, and CEO of JobsOhio. "The new facility is expected to bring 135 new, quality manufacturing and warehousing jobs, demonstrating the confidence that Procter & Gamble has in Northwest Ohio's talent."

Work on the additional line is expected to begin in July, with completion in 2026.

P&G serves consumers around the world with one of the strongest portfolios of trusted, quality, leadership brands, including Always[®], Ambi Pur[®], Ariel[®], Bounty[®], Charmin[®], Crest[®], Dawn[®], Downy[®], Fairy[®], Febreze[®], Gain[®], Gillette[®], Head & Shoulders[®], Lenor[®], Olay[®], Oral-B[®], Pampers[®], Pantene[®], SK-II[®], Tide[®], Vicks[®], and Whisper[®]. The P&G community includes operations in approximately 70 countries worldwide. Please visit http://www.pg.com for the latest news and information about P&G and its brands. For other P&G news, visit us at www.pg.com/news.

The Regional Growth Partnership is the lead economic development organization serving 17 counties in Northwest Ohio. As a private nonprofit development corporation, the RGP is dedicated to fostering regional, national and international business investment opportunities across the region. The RGP serves as Northwest Ohio's network partner for JobsOhio. Visit www.rgp.org for more information.

JobsOhio is a private nonprofit economic development corporation designed to drive job creation and new capital investment in Ohio through business attraction, retention and expansion. The organization also works to seed talent production in its targeted industries and to attract talent to Ohio through Find Your Ohio. JobsOhio works with six regional partners across Ohio: Dayton Development Coalition, Ohio Southeast Economic Development, One Columbus, REDI Cincinnati, Regional Growth Partnership and Team NEO. Learn more at www.jobsohio.com. Follow us on LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook.

About AEDG: The Allen Economic Development Group is a public/private partnership that was formed in 1993 as a facilitator for countywide economic development. Its mission is to create an environment for new business development, promote and nurture existing business and facilitate the creation of new jobs in Allen County.