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## **County approves tax abatement for Nutrien**

SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP — A global leader in fertilizer products for the agriculture industry has announced a construction project to increase safety at its local facility.

Allen County Commissioners today approved a 10-year, 50% tax abatement with PCS Nitrogen Ohio LP, dba Nutrien. The company will build a permanent, stand-alone structure for contractors who currently utilize various trailers at its manufacturing facility in Shawnee Township. The project also includes constructing a second building to house ignitable chemicals. The company estimates a cost of \$3.6-\$5.5 million for the additional 8,000 square feet of building space. Work is scheduled to begin within the next two months.

Company officials said housing the chemicals in a dedicated structure will increase safety at the site. The second building for contractors will provide a better work space, and the elimination of the trailers will allow for future expansion.

Shawnee Township trustees approved the agreement July 11.

Nutrien has been operating in the community for 70 years. It has 168 full-time employees with a payroll of \$19.9 million at the local facility. The agreement states the company will retain those positions.

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