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Trelleborg Coated Systems selected Rutherford County

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On October 22, 2013 Governor Pat McCrory and North Carolina Commerce Secretary Sharon Decker announced that Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc., a leading manufacturer of engineered polymer solutions, will expand its operations in Rutherford County. The company plans to create 76 new jobs and invest \$10.6 million over the next four years in the towns of Rutherfordton and Ruth.

“With today’s announcement by Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc. the citizens of Rutherfordton should be excited for the new employment opportunities that have been brought to our town,” said Mayor Jimmy Dancy of Rutherfordton. “It is always a highlight for the Town of Rutherfordton to be considered for a new industry opportunity because of the competitive nature of the process, but to be selected for a project is truly a success that should be celebrated.” Town of Ruth Mayor Don Baynard added that “the announced new jobs are great opportunities for our community and the Town of Ruth will do its part in supporting the efforts of Rutherford County, Rutherfordton and the State of North Carolina in providing the necessary assistance to Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc.”

Rutherford County has been awarded a \$440,000 grant from the One North Carolina Fund for this project. The grant is contingent upon proof of job creation and receipt of a local funding match. Rutherford County will partner with the Town of Rutherfordton and Town of Ruth to provide a portion of the required local match for the One North Carolina Fund grant. In addition, Rutherford County will submit a grant request to the Golden LEAF Foundation Economic Catalyst program for additional support of this project.

Rutherford County Commission Chairman Julius Owens said, "We are so excited that Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc. has selected Rutherford County. We want to thank them for their investment in Rutherford County and their confidence in our citizens who they will employ. Rutherford County is very pro business and we look forward to Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc. growing and thriving in Rutherford County. We welcome this great addition and all other companies that are looking for a great place to locate or expand. The Rutherford County Board of Commissioners looks forward to working with Trelleborg Coated Systems to build a lifelong partnership".

“On behalf of the Rutherford County Economic Development Commission I want to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc. for choosing to expand their operations in Rutherford County,” said Terry Hines, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission. “I also want to thank the Town of Rutherfordton, the Town of Ruth,

Duke Energy, the NC Community College System, Isothermal Community College, the NC Department of Commerce, County Manager Carl Classen and the Rutherford County Economic Development staff for all of their efforts in working with the company on this project.”

The mission of Rutherford County Economic Development is to retain and recruit new jobs and investment to the county for both industrial and commercial development. Rutherford County has a population of 67,810 and is centrally located between Charlotte, NC, Asheville, NC and Greenville, SC. With a strong infrastructure system including roads, water, sewer and fiber, the county is well positioned for growth as the economy continues to improve.