# State of Louisiana <br> BOARD OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY NOTICE AND AGENDA <br> State Capitol <br> House Committee Room 5 <br> Baton Rouge, LA 

October 25, 2017
9:30 a.m.

1. Call To Order - Steve Windham, Chair
2. Roll Call - Melissa Sorrell
3. Approval of the Minutes - August 23, 2017
4. Quality Jobs Program - Eric Burton
> 4 NEW Applications
$\$ 159,486,105$ in investments
250 new permanent jobs
165 construction jobs
> 1 Renewal
> 3 Name Changes
> 1 Request To Add An Additional Affiliate
> 2 Changes in Ownership
> 1 Contract Cancellation
5. Restoration Tax Abatement Program - Becky Lambert
> 5 NEW Applications
\$43,287,840 in investments
16 new permanent jobs
257 construction jobs
> 2 Renewals
6. Enterprise Zone Program - Joyce Metoyer
> 23 NEW Applications
\$512,363,271 in investments
1279 new permanent jobs
709 construction jobs
> 11 Contract Terminations
7. Industrial Tax Exemption Program - Kristin Cheng
> 38 NEW Applications
\$643,403,911 in investments
144 new permanent jobs
2,188 construction jobs
> 155 Renewals
> 4 Late Renewal Requests
> 34 Contract Transfers
> 6 Contract Cancellations
8. Industry Assistance Program - Susan Bigner
> WestRock CP, LLC
9. Other Business
> Industrial Tax Exemption Appeals
10. Comments/Remarks - Secretary Don Pierson
11. Adjourn

STATE OF LOUISIANA

## Commerce and Industry Board

Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Quality Jobs Applications
Board Meeting - Application Summary

| APPL |  |  |  | EST. S\&U or | EST. 10 YEAR | EST. 10 YEAR NEW <br> PERMANENT |  | CONSTRUCTION |  |
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| NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | PFER | PAYROLL REBATE | JOBS | SALARIES | JOBS | SALARIES |
| 20151179-QJ | Audubon Field Solutions, LLC | Jefferson | \$0 | \$0 | \$328,492 | 5 | \$5,474,861 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20151134-QJ | Calumet GP, LLC | Caddo | \$9,353,105 | \$140,297 | \$3,875,255 | 198 | \$64,587,583 | 75 | \$3,126,749 |
| 20151377-QJ | Delta Machine \& Ironworks, LLC | East Baton Rouge | \$133,000 | \$1,995 | \$301,089 | 11 | \$5,018,145 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20151251-QJ | Zen-Noh Grain Corporation | St James | \$150,000,000 | \$2,250,000 | \$852,362 | 36 | \$14,206,027 | 90 | \$17,950,000 |
| TOTALS | 4 |  | \$159,486,105 | \$2,392,292 | \$5,357,198 | 250 | \$89,286,616 | 165 | \$21,076,749 |

STATE OF LOUISIANA

## Commerce and Industry Board

Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Quality Jobs Renewals
Board Meeting - Renewal Summary

| APPL |  |  |
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| NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH |
| CF Industries Nitrogen, LLC | Ascension |  |
| TOTALS |  | 1 |

Request for a Change in Name only of the following contract:

| Contract Number | From | To | Parish |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20140937 | Module X Solutions, LLC and <br> Home and Security, LLC | Module X Solutions, LLC | Caddo |
| 20130765 | Federated Sample, LLC | Lucid Holdings, LLC | Orleans |
| 20121300 | CF Industries Nitrogen, LLC | CF Industries Employee <br> Services, LLC | Ascension |

Request to add an additional affiliate to schedule 1 of the following contract(s):

| Contract Number | Contract Name | Adding Affiliate: | Parish |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20121300 | CF Industries Employee Services, | CF Industries Nitrogen, LLC | Ascension |
|  | LLC |  |  |

Request for a Change in Ownership only of the following contracts:

| Contract Number | From | To | Parish |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20141040 | PennTex Midstream <br> Management Company, LLC | La Grange Acquisition, LP | Lincoln |
| 20141403 | PennTex Midstream <br> Management Company, LLC | La Grange Acquisition, LP | Lincoln |

Request to Cancel the following contract:

| Contract Number | Contract Name | Comments | Parish |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 20140643 | John H. Carter <br> Co., Inc. | Company requested to cancel the contract due <br> to not meeting the program requirements. No <br> benefits have been received. | East Baton <br> Rouge |

## STATE OF LOUISIANA

Commerce and Industry Board
Wednesday, October 25, 2017

## Restoration Tax Abatement Applications

Board Meeting - Application Summary

| APPL |  |  |  | NEW PERMANENT |  | CONSTRUCTION |  |
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| NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | JOBS | SALARIES | JOBS | SALARIES |
| 20170127-RTA | 1539 Robertson, LLC | Orleans | \$210,000 | 0 | \$0 | 22 | \$60,000 |
| 20161642-RTA | 214 South 14th Street, LLC | East Baton Rouge | \$1,000,000 | 1 | \$30,000 | 15 | \$485,000 |
| 20151067-RTA | Artisan Café | Orleans | \$214,631 | 7 | \$98,000 | 25 | \$74,776 |
| 20141425-RTA | French Quarter Apartments, LP | Orleans | \$32,095,000 | 4 | \$150,000 | 120 | \$10,000,000 |
| 20161637-RTA | Market Street Shreveport, LLC | Caddo | \$9,768,209 | 4 | \$540,000 | 75 | \$634,953 |
| TOTALS |  | 5 | \$43,287,840 | 16 | \$818,000 | 257 | \$11,254,729 |

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## Commerce and Industry Board

Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Restoration Tax Abatement Renewals
Board Meeting - Renewal Summary

| APPL |  |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT |
|  |  |  |  |
| 20120786-RTA | 2121 Borders, LLC | Jefferson | $\$ 2,557,536$ |
| 20101025-RTA | 715 S Washington LLC | Morehouse | $\$ 9,714,164$ |
|  |  | 2 | $\$ 12,271,700$ |

STATE OF LOUISIANA
Commerce and Industry Board
Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Enterprise Zone Applications
Board Meeting - Application Summary

| APPL |  |  |  | ESTIMATED TAX RELIEF |  |  | NEW PERMANENT |  | CONSTRUCTION |  |
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| NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | STATE | LOCAL | ITC | JOBS | SALARIES | JOBS | SALARIES |
| 20141180 | Affinity Health Group, LLC | Ouachita | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 8 | \$320,000 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20141179 | Affinity Health Group, LLC | Ouachita | \$650,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$3,000 | 13 | \$520,000 | 0 | \$90,000 |
| 20150272 | Associated Marine Equipment, LLC | St James | \$5,000,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$75,000 | 78 | \$5,950,000 | 45 | \$1,750,000 |
| 20150961 | B\&G Food Enterprises, LLC (2) | E. B. R. | \$1,252,128 | \$0 | \$0 | \$18,782 | 6 | \$180,000 | 15 | \$525,000 |
| 20150261 | Barriere Construction Co., LLC | E. B. R. <br> St. John the | \$10,108,384 | \$0 | \$0 | \$151,626 | 11 | \$515,000 | 50 | \$1,750,000 |
| 20141545 | Bayou Lodging, LLC (3) | Baptist | \$10,076,754 | \$0 | \$0 | \$151,151 | 6 | \$180,000 | 60 | \$1,800,000 |
| 20150313 | Courtesy Realty of Ruston, LLC (2) | Lincoln | \$3,563,224 | \$0 | \$0 | \$53,448 | 10 | \$505,000 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20130003 | Creekstone Management, LLC | Livingston | \$59,302,851 | \$0 | \$0 | \$845,065 | 5 | \$177,000 | 200 | \$7,000,000 |
| 20161384 | Delta Medical Group, LLC | St Mary | \$580,302 | \$0 | \$0 | \$8,705 | 8 | \$478,478 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20141329 | G.E.O. Heat Exchangers, LLC | Iberville | \$2,246,843 | \$0 | \$0 | \$33,703 | 6 | \$300,000 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20151399 | Govind Hotels, LLC (3) | E. B. R. | \$1,750,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$26,250 | 5 | \$125,000 | 20 | \$500,000 |
| 20110929 | James Construction Group, LLC | E. B. R. | \$500,000 | \$25,000 | \$0 | \$0 | 136 | \$8,683,392 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20150141 | Leading Health Care of Louisiana | Lafayette | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 29 | \$442,540 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20151398 | LogoJET | Lafayette | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 19 | \$727,920 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20141118 | Mihir Enterprises, LLC (3) | E. B. R. | \$5,015,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$75,225 | 5 | \$125,000 | 40 | \$500,000 |
| 20150897 | Primoris Energy Services Corporation | E. B. R. | \$500,000 | \$25,000 | \$0 | \$0 | 450 | \$12,861,450 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20150204 | Rouse's Enterprises, LLC (2) | Tangipahoa | \$6,776,559 | \$0 | \$0 | \$101,648 | 65 | \$6,636,783 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20141279 | Southwest Louisiana Hospital Association | Calcasieu | \$67,397,739 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,010,966 | 345 | \$15,760,650 | 150 | \$6,000,000 |
| 20141547 | Southwest Louisiana Hospital Association | Calcasieu | \$8,796,363 | \$0 | \$0 | \$131,945 | 29 | \$1,276,000 | 29 | \$2,500,000 |
| 20141415 | Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC | Iberville | \$280,331,403 | \$0 | \$0 | \$2,522,983 | 5 | \$360,000 | 100 | \$4,500,000 |
| 20151009 | The National World War II Museum | Orleans | \$45,000,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$675,000 | 28 | \$2,100,000 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20141178 | Vantage Health Plan, Inc. | E. B. R. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,500 | 7 | \$280,000 | 0 | \$0 |
| 20130847 | Waskey Bridges, Inc. | E. B. R. | \$3,515,721 | \$0 | \$0 | \$52,736 | 5 | \$237,500 | 0 | \$0 |
|  | Total 23 |  | \$512,363,271 | \$50,000 | \$0 | \$5,938,733 | 1279 | \$58,741,713 | 709 | \$26,915,000 |

(1) Act 423: Effective 6-21-2013 NAICS 44 and 45 with more than 100 employees nationwide including affiliates must be a grocery store or pharmacy and located in an EZ
(2) Act 126: For all advances filed on or after 7-1-2015 NAICS 44, 45, 722 are excluded (Retail Trade and Food Services)
(3) Act 18: For all advances filed on or after 4-1-2016 NAICS 5613 and 721 are excluded (Employment Services and Accommodations)

## Enterprise Zone Program

## C \& I Board Meeting

October 25, 2016
Special Request Summary

## Contract Termination Request

In accordance with Section §717.D of the Enterprise Zone Program rules, a business may submit a request to terminate their Enterprise Zone contract if: 1. the contract has been in effect for at least 30 months; 2. the business has met all of the requirements of the program, which includes timely filing of all program forms, documents, and appropriate fees. AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 51:1786(5). HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Economic Development, Office of Business Development, LR 29:2301 (November 2003), amended LR 37:2373 (August 2011).

The following contract(s) were previously approved by the Board of Commerce \& Industry, and the contract holder(s) listed below have submitted a request to terminate their Enterprise Zone contract. The Contractee understands Board decision is final and contract cannot be reinstated or reactivated.

| Project No. | Company Name | Parish | Existing Contract Period | Requested Termination Date | Reason for Termination |
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| 20100813 | Excel Fabrication \& Construction, Inc. | Ascension | 5/24/2011-5/23/2016 | 12/31/2014 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20110547 | Red Stick Armature Work, Inc. | W. Feliciana | 4/6/2011-4/5/2016 | 12/31/2013 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20111044 | International Marine Terminals Partnership | Plaquemines | 5/1/2012-4/30/2017 | 12/31/2014 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20111024 | Moran Printing, Inc. | E. B. R. | 9/26/2011-9/25/2016 | 3/25/2014 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20130141 | Schottel, Inc. | Terrebonne | 2/27/2013-2/26/2018 | 2/26/2016 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20120990 | CommCare Corp. | Avoyelles | 9/1/2012-8/31/2017 | 8/31/2015 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20120999 | Pay-Less Super Market, Inc. | Ascension | 7/25/2012-7/24/2017 | 12/31/2016 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |
| 20130549 | Pay-Less Super Market, Inc. | Ascension | 4/2/2013-4/1/2018 | 12/31/2015 | Program requirements have been met. No additional jobs are anticipated. |


| Project No. | Company Name | Parish | Existing Contract <br> Period | Requested Termination <br> Date | Reason for Termination |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20100778 | Dupre Logistics, LLC | E. B. R. | $3 / 1 / 2012-2 / 28 / 2017$ | $2 / 28 / 2015$ | Program requirements have been met. No additional <br> jobs are anticipated. |
| 20100939 | Baton Rouge General Medical Ctr. | E. B. R. | $10 / 1 / 2011-9 / 30 / 2016$ | $3 / 31 / 2014$ | Program requirements have been met. No additional <br> jobs are anticipated. |
| 20131054 | Energy Hydraulics, LLC | Bossier | $8 / 2 / 2013-8 / 1 / 2018$ | $2 / 28 / 2016$ | Program requirements have been met. No additional <br> jobs are anticipated. |
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STATE OF LOUISIANA

## Commerce and Industry Board

Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Industrial Tax Exemption Applications
Board Meeting - Application Summary

| APPLICATION NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | AD VALOREM <br> (TAX RELIEF) NEW PERMANENT |  |  | CONSTRUCTION |  | NAICS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | First Year of Exemption (Estimate) | JOBS | SALARIES | JOBS | SALARIES |  |

## Advance Notification Filed (Advance Filed Prior to 6/24/2016)

| 20152058-ITE | Albemarle Corporation | East Baton Rouge | \$4,185,938 | \$71,768 | 0 | \$0 |  | 0 | \$0 | 325900 |
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| 20152047-ITE | BASF Corporation | Ascension | \$5,175,063 | \$83,758 | 0 | \$0 |  | 25 | \$1,500,000 | 325100 |
| 20150973-ITE | Diversified Foods \& Seasonings, LLC | St Tammany | \$2,725,628 | \$60,673 | 0 | \$0 |  | 18 | \$614,043 | 311412 |
| 20151167-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$5,022,125 | \$64,710 | 0 | \$0 |  | 31 | \$1,425,000 | 325199 |
| 20140993-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$41,200,526 | \$642,728 | 0 | \$0 |  | 75 | \$23,130,000 | 325110 |
| 20150368-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$5,757,786 | \$89,822 | 0 | \$0 |  | 37 | \$1,644,000 | 325110 |
| 20120848-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$196,096,856 | \$2,526,708 | 0 | \$0 |  | 350 | \$77,000,000 | 325199 |
| 20161400-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$2,458,378 | \$38,351 | 0 | \$0 |  | 20 | \$1,420,000 | 325110 |
| 20151302-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$6,112,924 | \$78,765 | 0 | \$0 |  | 27 | \$3,150,000 | 325110 |
| 20150367-ITE | Dow Chemical Company | West Baton Rouge | \$10,109,339 | \$130,259 | 0 | \$0 |  | 85 | \$4,292,179 | 325110 |
| 20150934-ITE | Dr. Reddys Laboratories Louisiana LLC | Caddo | \$4,996,975 | \$100,964 | 20 | \$1,100,000 |  | 0 | \$0 | 325412 |
| 20150934A-ITE | Dr. Reddys Laboratories Louisiana LLC | Caddo | \$4,997,123 | \$100,967 | 20 | \$1,100,000 |  | 0 | \$0 | 325412 |
| 20150934B-ITE | Dr. Reddys Laboratories Louisiana LLC | Caddo | \$4,998,395 | \$100,993 | 20 | \$1,100,000 |  | 0 | \$0 | 325412 |
| 20150934C-ITE | Dr. Reddys Laboratories Louisiana LLC | Caddo | \$940,909 | \$19,011 | 20 | \$1,100,000 | * | 0 | \$0 | 325412 |
| 20150982A-ITE | FlightSafety International Inc. | Bossier | \$10,035,058 | \$171,901 | 0 | \$0 |  | 0 | \$0 | 611512 |
| 20151303-ITE | GCI OPCO DST | West Baton Rouge | \$67,830,158 | \$873,992 | 0 | \$0 |  | 110 | \$4,782,278 | 325110 |
| 20151379-ITE | Graphic Packaging International Inc. | Ouachita | \$34,479,911 | \$489,787 | 0 | \$0 |  | 245 | \$17,081,054 | 322212 |
| 20152011-ITE | Marathon Petroleum Company LP | St John the Baptist | \$1,566,310 | \$27,653 | 0 | \$0 |  | 13 | \$1,043,100 | 324110 |
| 20152010-ITE | Marathon Petroleum Company LP | St John the Baptist | \$10,227,910 | \$180,574 | 0 | \$0 |  | 72 | \$5,757,000 | 324110 |
| 20131420-ITE | Marathon Petroleum Company LP | St John the Baptist | \$99,392,959 | \$1,754,783 | 0 | \$0 |  | 265 | \$31,753,750 | 324110 |
| 20140895-ITE | Marathon Petroleum Company LP | St John the Baptist | \$37,225,265 | \$657,212 | 0 | \$0 |  | 204 | \$40,850,000 | 324110 |
| 20152030-ITE | Marathon Petroleum Company LP | St John the Baptist | \$1,606,774 | \$28,368 | 0 | \$0 |  | 0 | \$0 | 324110 |
| 20140362A-ITE | Methanex Louisiana, LLC | Ascension | \$3,486,482 | \$56,429 | 15 | \$1,200,000 |  | 30 | \$3,000,000 | 325199 |
| 20120766B-ITE | Methanex USA LLC | Ascension | \$551,066 | \$8,919 | 5 | \$400,000 |  | 5 | \$125,000 | 325199 |
| 20141344A-ITE | Reagent Chemical \& Research Inc. | Ascension | \$5,052,563 | \$81,776 | 13 | \$608,013 |  | 20 | \$560,858 | 424690 |

STATE OF LOUISIANA

## Commerce and Industry Board

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

## Industrial Tax Exemption Applications

Board Meeting - Application Summary

| APPLICATION NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | AD VALOREM <br> (TAX RELIEF) <br> First Year of <br> Exemption <br> (Estimate) | NEW PERMANENT |  | CONSTRUCTION |  | NAICS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | JOBS | SALARIES | JOBS | SALARIES |  |
| 20152032-ITE | Stuller, Inc. | Lafayette | \$1,982,006 | \$25,152 | 30 | \$1,352,389 | 0 | \$0 | 339900 |
| 20141544-ITE | The Bayou Companies, LLC | Iberia | \$14,197,429 | \$147,156 | 1 | \$39,000 | 100 | \$3,000,000 | 332812 |
| 20161527-ITE | The Bayou Companies, LLC | Iberia | \$4,608,960 | \$47,772 | 0 | \$0 | 10 | \$300,000 | 332812 |
| 20141263-ITE | Union Carbide Corporation | St Charles | \$34,495,860 | \$610,059 | 0 | \$0 | 350 | \$37,000,000 | 325188 |
| 20150955-ITE | Union Carbide Corporation | St Charles | \$6,736,232 | \$119,130 | 0 | \$0 | 45 | \$2,200,000 | 325188 |
| 20151589-ITE | Union Carbide Corporation | St Charles | \$4,320,869 | \$76,415 | 0 | \$0 | 51 | \$2,040,000 | 325188 |
| 20161468-ITE | WestRock CP LLC | Jackson | \$555,027 | \$8,325 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | 322121 |
| 20161468A-ITE | WestRock CP LLC | Jackson | \$691,253 | \$10,369 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | 322121 |
| 20161468B-ITE | WestRock CP LLC | Jackson | \$2,621,257 | \$39,319 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | 322121 |
| 20161468C-ITE | WestRock CP LLC | Jackson | \$1,710,200 | \$28,090 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | 322121 |
| 20161468D-ITE | WestRock CP LLC | Jackson | \$5,252,397 | \$86,271 | 0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | 322121 |
| No Advance Notification Filed (MCA) (Application Filed Prior to 6/24/2016) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20160697-ITE | Cortec, LLC | West Baton Rouge | \$1,605,578 | \$20,359 | 5 | \$253,000 | 0 | \$0 | 332911 |
| 20160698-ITE | Cortec, LLC | Terrebonne | \$209,858 | \$3,045 | 5 | \$336,000 | 0 | \$0 | 332911 |
| TOTALS |  |  | \$643,403,911 | \$9,638,926 | 144 | \$7,999,402 | 2,188 | \$263,668,262 |  |

*New jobs associated with multiple applications/projects

## STATE OF LOUISIANA

## Commerce and Industry Board

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

## Industrial Tax Exemption Applications

Board Meeting - Post EO Application Summary

| APPLICATION NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | AD VALOREM <br> (TAX RELIEF) <br> First Year of <br> Exemption <br> (Estimate) | NEW PERMANENT |  | CONSTRUCTION |  | NAICS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | JOBS | SALARIES | JOBS | SALARIES |  |
| No Advance Notification Filed (MCA)(Application Filed After 6/24/2016) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20170187-ITE | ASH Industries, Inc. | Lafayette | \$683,570 | \$8,675 | 4 | \$131,000 | 5 | \$12,580 | 326199 |

*Appeal of application's denial approved at 8/23/2017 C\&I Board meeting

STATE OF LOUISIANA
Commerce and Industry Board
Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Industrial Tax Exemption Renewals
Board Meeting - Renewal Summary


Advance Notification Filed with Original Application
20111199-ITE Baker Hughes Oilfield Operations, Inc 20110850-ITE 20120831-ITE 20111153-ITE 20111149-ITE 20111148-ITE 20120378-ITE 20100924A-ITE 20110629-ITE 20110629A-ITE 20111158-ITE 20111236-ITE 20120042-ITE 20111212-ITE 20111214-ITE 20111205-ITE 20111219-ITE 20111220-ITE 20111206-ITE 20111221-ITE 20111207-ITE 20111222-ITE 20111208-ITE 20111223-ITE 20111209-ITE 20111210-ITE 062509-ITE 20091207-ITE 062509A-ITE 062512-ITE 20111211-ITE

20111107-ITE Baroid Drilling Fluids, A division of Halliburton Energy Services, Inc. BASF Corporation
BASF Corporation
Bollinger Morgan City, LLC
Bollinger Quick Repair LLC
Bollinger Shipyards Lockport LLC
C \& C Marine and Repair, LLC
CAP Technologies, LLC
CB\&I Walker La L.L.C.
CB\&I Walker La L.L.C.
Chand, LLC
Diamond B Construction Company
Dow Chemical Company
EAM Nelson Holding LLC
Entergy Arkansas, Inc.
Entergy Louisiana, LLC
Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Big Cajun Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Calcasieu Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Little Gypsy Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Nelson Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Ninemile Point Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Ouachita Plant Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Perryville Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Riverbend Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Sterlington Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Waterford 1, 2 \& 4
Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Waterford 3 Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Waterford 3 Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Waterford 3 Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Waterford 3 Entergy Louisiana, LLC - Waterford 3

| Lafayette | $\$ 17,587,311$ | $\$ 156,984$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Calcasieu | $\$ 1,464,031$ | $\$ 17,976$ |
| Ascension | $\$ 5,958,001$ | $\$ 70,068$ |
| Ascension | $\$ 2,075,463$ | $\$ 24,408$ |
| St Mary | $\$ 467,781$ | $\$ 4,928$ |
| Jefferson | $\$ 443,265$ | $\$ 5,790$ |
| Lafourche | $\$ 753,818$ | $\$ 10,367$ |
| Plaquemines | $\$ 355,840$ | $\$ 2,437$ |
| Livingston | $\$ 261,692$ | $\$ 3,655$ |
| Livingston | $\$ 2,367,836$ | $\$ 27,405$ |
| Livingston | $\$ 87,704$ | $\$ 505$ |
| Lafourche | $\$ 364,368$ | $\$ 5,011$ |
| Tangipahoa | $\$ 317,432$ | $\$ 2,841$ |
| West Baton Rouge | $\$ 3,489,114$ | $\$ 34,462$ |
| Calcasieu | $\$ 859,621$ | $\$ 10,555$ |
| Ouachita | $\$ 165,731$ | $\$ 1,724$ |
| Acadia | $\$ 150,127$ | $\$ 1,242$ |
| Pointe Coupee | $\$ 183,521$ | $\$ 1,101$ |
| Calcasieu | $\$ 2,223,125$ | $\$ 27,297$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 6,661,483$ | $\$ 32,684$ |
| Calcasieu | $\$ 7,924,051$ | $\$ 97,296$ |
| Jefferson | $\$ 7,444,118$ | $\$ 80,698$ |
| Ouachita | $\$ 221,476$ | $\$ 2,304$ |
| Ouachita | $\$ 344,045$ | $\$ 3,579$ |
| West Feliciana | $\$ 14,956,018$ | $\$ 131,342$ |
| Ouachita | $\$ 3,693,969$ | $\$ 38,427$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 5,922,027$ | $\$ 103,545$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 8,656,250$ | $\$ 308,759$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 7,385,318$ | $\$ 93,603$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 1,769,124$ | $\$ 28,523$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 6,830,575$ | $\$ 7,299,819$ |
| St Charles | $\$ 85,714$ |  |
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## STATE OF LOUISIANA

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## Industrial Tax Exemption Late Renewals

Board Meeting - Late Renewal Summary
The term of the renewal contract may be reduced by one year for each calendar month, or portion thereof, that the renewal application is filed late. The board may impose any other penalty for late renewal submission that it deems appropriate.

Options of the Board:
Approve the 5 year renewal
Approve with a penalty
Deny the request for renewal
The following contracts have filed for renewal after the original contract expiration date:

|  |  |  |  | AD VALOREM (TAX RELIEF) | Number of Employe reported by | ll Time (as ompany) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| APPLICATION NUMBER | COMPANY | PARISH | INVESTMENT | First Year of Renewal with Depreciation (Estimate) | First Year of Exemption | Current | NAICS | Initial <br> Contract <br> Expiration <br> Date | Late Renewal Request Date |

Advance Notification Filed with Original Application

| 20080850-ITE | LaShip, LLC | Terrebonne | \$21,830,575 | \$459,959 | 0 | 387 | 336611 | 12/31/2015 | 9/18/2017 |
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| No Advance Notification Filed (MCA) with Original Application |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20110306-ITE | Cortec, LLC | Terrebonne | \$80,276 | \$843 | 56 | 99 * | 332911 | 12/31/2015 | 8/4/2017 |
| 20120756-ITE | Cortec, LLC | Terrebonne | \$2,036,334 | \$21,480 | 64 | 99 * | 332911 | 12/31/2016 | 8/4/2017 |
| 20120355PT-ITE | Shaw Alloy Piping Products, LLC | Bossier | \$89,097 | \$979 | 7 | 15 | 332996 | 12/31/2016 | 8/1/2017 |
| TOTALS |  | 4 | \$24,036,282 | \$483,261 | 127 | 600 |  |  |  |

*New jobs associated with multiple applications/projects

TRANSFER OF TAX EXEMPTION CONTRACT
The following companies request a TRANSFER OF TAX EXEMPTION CONTRACT on the referenced active contracts:

| FORMER NAME | NEW NAME | PARISH |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alon Refining Krotz Springs, Inc. <br> Contract(s): 20080368, 20090078, 20090432, <br> 20110244, 20110245, 20110246, 20140646, | Delek US Holdings, Inc. |  |
| 20140647, 20140648, 20140649, 20140650, |  | St. Landry |
| 20140651, and 20140652 |  |  |
| Williams Olefins, L.L.C. | NOVA Chemicals Olefins LLC |  |
| Contract(s): 20080358, 20080359, 20080360, |  | Ascension |
| 20080361, 20090421, 20090582, 20100491, |  |  |
| 20110474, 20111013, 20111013A, |  |  |
| 20111013B, 20120488, 20120489,20130504, |  |  |
| $20130505,20130506,20140601,20150375$, |  |  |
| 20150623,20150624, and 20160037 |  |  |

## CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT

Staff requests cancellation of the following contracts:

| COMPANY NAME AND CONTRACT NUMBER(S) |  | PARISH |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Coastal Engine Works, LLC <br> Contract(s): 070686 | LED notified by assessor that the <br> manufacturing facility has been closed. <br> Company has been notified. Staff requests <br> cancellation. | Iberia |
| Custom Engine Works, LLC <br> Contract(s): 070686 and 20150967 | LED notified by assessor that the <br> manufacturing facility has been closed. <br> Company has been notified. Staff requests <br> cancellation. | Iberia |
| Unimin Corporation <br> Contract(s): 20090917, 20111109, and <br> 20140454 | LED notified by assessor that the <br> manufacturing facility has been closed. <br> Company has been notified. Staff requests <br> cancellation. | Webster |

# WestRock CP, LLC Industry Assistance Program 

C\&I Board Presentation October 25, 2017

INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM The state, in order to induce industrial development, seeks to encourage the retention and/or expansion of existing businesses in this state. The purpose of this program is to encourage the retention and modernization of such operations in Louisiana by providing a procedure whereby the taxes imposed by the state upon such existing manufacturing businesses may be reduced in order to encourage the continued operations of such businesses at existing levels and, where possible, to expand those operations.

Revised Statute 47.4301 makes reference to Exemptions for Manufacturing Establishments, but the program is more commonly known as the Industry Assistance Program. The Industry Assistance Program (IA) provides an exemption from taxes for an existing manufacturing facility operating in Louisiana that maintains high paying jobs. The business must demonstrate a need for the exemption to maintain operations at current employment levels and stay competitive, while willing to commit a significant investment sufficient to grow and prosper in Louisiana. The manufacturing facility is encouraged to use Louisiana manufacturers, suppliers, contractors, etc. and must be willing to designate and set-aside an award to economically disadvantaged businesses in Louisiana.

The program is only offered by invitation from the Secretary of LED. The invitation also includes mandatory requirements that the company must meet pertaining to jobs, payroll, investment, etc. in order to receive the exemption. An Advance Notification must be filed and the application must be approved by the Board of Commerce and Industry, the Governor, and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.

After all approvals are received, the company and LED enter into a contract. The initial contract can be up to five (5) years with possible renewals, not to exceed fifteen (15) years. Once the contract requirements have been verified for the tax year, the business can claim a credit against its annual corporate franchise tax and corporate income tax. Any remaining amount can be claimed as a rebate of state and use tax, along with any other taxes imposed directly by the state.

## THE MILL

WestRock Company manufactures and sells paper and packaging products for the consumer and corrugated markets in North America, South America, Europe, and Asia. The WestRock CP, LLC's (WestRock) mill is located in the Village of Hodge in Jackson Parish, which is about 20 miles south of Ruston. It utilizes softwood trees and recycled corrugated containers to manufacture linerboard rolls that are cut to order and shipped to customers around the world. Linerboard is a thick stiff cardboard used for containers, especially corrugated boxes. The mill was previously owned by Smurfit Stone Container until it was purchased by Rock-Tenn Company in 2011. In 2015, Rock-Tenn Company and MeadWestvaco Corporation merged forming WestRock Company (NYSE:WRK).

Although the Hodge mill is part of WestRock Company, the mill operates on its own profit and loss statement. Therefore, this write-up pertains only to the Hodge mill operations, unless otherwise noted.

The Hodge mill produces its own steam using bark, natural gas, and manufacturing process residuals. It supplies power distribution services to the Village of Hodge and processes its own
wastewater at its wastewater treatment facility, along with the wastewater of the surrounding communities at no charge. The company collects and sells its by-product of tall oil and turpentine.

The Hodge mill is the largest private employer in Jackson Parish, employing approximately 450 direct full time, skilled, high-wage manufacturing jobs. The mill's operations support a significant number of Louisiana-based companies. In 2016, WestRock's Louisiana-based supplier count was nearly 700 with a spend of several hundred million dollars.

In addition, the Hodge mill supports many area non-profit organizations and educational institutions through volunteerism and annual charitable donations in Ruston, Jonesboro, and other local communities.

## CURRENT SITUATION

Prior to the 2011 acquisition of the mill by WestRock (formerly RockTenn), the mill received little investment and required extensive maintenance and capital expenditures to ensure continued operations. Since the acquisition, WestRock executed a strategic plan to address important needs at the mill, including a rebuild of Paper Machine \#4 in 2012 and capital invested to comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Boiler Maximum Achievable Control Technology (Boiler MACT) regulation in 2015. While initial investments were focused on stabilizing the mill by addressing critical needs, future improvements are strategically targeted to sustain the mill and position it for future success.

Since it acquired the mill, WestRock has implemented a new internal control structure and adopted a new code of conduct policy. The mill's internal controls are audited at least annually by both WestRock management and WestRock's independent auditors. Additionally, the mill's performance and processes are subjected to audits and reviews conducted by WestRock's compliance functions (e.g. environmental, safety, compliance, financial compliance) and internal audit.

The linerboard market is cyclical and, at times, can be volatile, creating a challenging environment for manufacturing facilities. While the linerboard market experienced the start of an upturn in late 2016 - early 2017, future market dynamics can be difficult to predict because a variety of factors can influence the market.

The mill's leadership and support teams have identified key areas of the mill's high operational costs that are difficult to control, including energy, transportation/logistics, and fiber supply. While the mill self-generates electricity to satisfy much of its needs, the necessary supplemental electricity is offered at an exorbitantly high rate, the second highest in WestRock's mill system. The Louisiana Southern Railroad provides interchange and mill switching services for the mill. Track conditions remain fair to poor due to historical flooding and lack of upgrades to the track bed, drainage, and aged rail. The track rating of the rail only allows for 263,000 pounds per vehicle, as compared to 286,000 pounds per vehicle for most competing rail carriers. There is a distinct disadvantage for the mill due to lower load factors and challenged service areas, resulting in higher than normal transportation costs. With regard to fiber supply, the mill is in a highly competitive market for virgin fiber, with eight facilities within a 100-mile radius competing for fiber. Two of these facilities are pellet mills, which are heavily subsidized by the European market. This additional pressure on the mill's wood basket make it challenging for the mill to compete in the free market for necessary resources required for operation.

Additionally, recent changes to Louisiana's sales and use tax code have caused a considerable and unexpected burden for the mill. While clarification from Louisiana Department of Revenue
regarding the inapplicability of these new taxes on by-products of the manufacturing process reduce the mill's tax exposure, the increase is substantial.

## NEEDS FOR ASSISTANCE

Most large manufacturing operations are capital intensive, requiring substantial annual investment to address routine maintenance. WestRock expects to spend an incremental annual average of approximately $\$ 50$ million a year targeted on strategic improvements to maintain market competitiveness. Improvements are inclusive of repairs, upgrades, replacement equipment and maintenance as well as new capital, over a five-year period.

When compared to similar WestRock mills in the same market segment, the mill is at a competitive disadvantage due to high operating costs. For example, an indexed chart of the average costs per ton produced demonstrates the mill is usually the highest or second highest compared to similar integrated Kraft liner facilities within WestRock. The mill leadership team continues to seek new opportunities for efforts that provide significant return on investment and aid in the reduction of the mill's operating costs. WestRock does not anticipate significant shifts in the mill's operations, from a sales, employment and production standpoint. The mill will continue to focus on optimizing investments made in recent years by, among other things, further enhancing internal process controls, reviewing energy sourcing strategies, improving quality and efficiencies in the mill's machinery and equipment, reevaluating logistical needs and continuing to develop a skilled and talented workforce.

According to the 2010 Census, the Village of Hodge had an estimated population of 470 and Jackson Parish had an estimate of 16,274 . The per capita personal income for Jackson Parish is $\$ 34,050$ compared to $\$ 42,963$ for Louisiana. The unemployment rate in Jackson parish is $5.2 \%$ compared to $5.9 \%$ in the state of Louisiana.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Staff presents for the Board's consideration the approval of an Industry Assistance Program contract for an annual $\$ 1.5$ million state tax rebate for 5 years beginning with 2017 through 2021, with the following contingencies:

1. An incremental, annual spend of approximately $\$ 50$ million inclusive of repairs, upgrades, equipment replacement, and maintenance as well as new capital, over a five year term beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2021.
2. The company must retain a minimum of 400 jobs beginning January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021, along with retention of associated annual payroll (estimated at \$28.0 million per year inclusive of base wage and overtime, exclusive of benefits and contract labor) to be increased at a minimum of 2 percent annually.

At the end of each year of the five year term, WestRock will be required to file an annual report confirming jobs, payroll, and the total spend for the year. The information will be verified prior to WestRock receiving a rebate. The state will eliminate or reduce the Industry Assistance Program tax rebate in proportion to any non-performance relative to WestRock's spend and payroll commitments over the five-year term. If WestRock spends more than $\$ 50$ million in any single year, it may apply the excess toward achieving its investment commitments in a subsequent year in the event a lower annual investment is made. A grace period shall be granted if WestRock does not meet the annual investment requirement in one of the first two years of the commitment provided that the $\$ 150$ million investment target is reached by the end of the third year of the commitment.

The following chart illustrates the estimated revenues and costs expected over the life of the contract:

## WestRock CP, LLC

Estimated Tax Revenues and Incentive Costs, \$MM

|  | Contract Period 2017-2021 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |  |
|  | State Revenues (per WestRock) | 6.85 | 6.77 | 6.98 | 7.04 | 7.1 |  |

## APPEALS:

Bancroft Bag, Inc. - Application 20170183 (Ouachita Parish): LED received a request by Bancroft Bag, Inc. to appeal the decision of the Board of Commerce and Industry at the June 28, 2017 meeting to deny the request for tax exemption.

Calumet Lubricants Co., LP - Application 20170189 (Bossier Parish): LED received a request by Calumet Lubricants Co., LP to appeal the decision of the Board of Commerce and Industry at the June 28, 2017 meeting to deny their request for tax exemption.

Calumet Shreveport Lubricants \& Waxes, LLC - Applications 20170190, 20170191, and 20170192 (Caddo Parish): LED received a request by Calumet Shreveport Lubricants \& Waxes, LLC to appeal the decision of the Board of Commerce and Industry at the June 28, 2017 meeting to deny their request for tax exemption.

Shield Pack, LLC - Application 20170083 (Ouachita Parish): LED received a request by Shield Pack, LLC to appeal the decision of the Board of Commerce and Industry at the June 28, 2017 meeting to deny their request for tax exemption.

