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DNP Expands in RIDC Westmoreland Space

April 9, 2013. RIDC is pleased to announce that DNP IMS America Corp. is expanding their production capacity and footprint in the RIDC Westmoreland complex.

DNP evaluated multiple global locations for an additional production line and decided to expand its Westmoreland County facility. The company added approximately 26,000 square feet, increasing their footprint to over 161,000 square feet in the RIDC Westmoreland facility. Approximately 150 employees work in the Westmoreland location currently, and they plan to add positions. “We look forward to expanding our presence and producing more high quality product for the global market from this plant” indicated Rick Crooks, Vice President of Operations for DNP.

RIDC, in partnership with Westmoreland County IDC, took control of the former Sony plant in 2012 and has been working to transform the facility into a multi-tenant complex for large-scale manufacturers. “Successful collaboration between RIDC and WCIDC catalyzed the redevelopment of this site” stated Jason Rigone, Executive Director of the WCIDC.

As part of the facility transformation and to accommodate DNP’s growth new process utility systems are being constructed.

The Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority (PIDA) along with state and local leadership have been critical in kick-starting the redevelopment of this facility. “We are grateful for the cooperation with PIDA, Westmoreland County and our local elected officials as we work to bring this site back to being a major regional economic center,” said Don Smith, President of RIDC.

Senator Kim Ward, a key proponent of the project added that, “Providing opportunities for job growth in Westmoreland County is a key focus of this project.”

The entire building has approximately 2.8 million square foot, and after the DNP expansion, about 600,000 square feet will be in use. “RIDC Westmoreland is an important regional asset as it can accommodate large manufacturers with significant infrastructure requirements”, said Tim White, VP of Development at RIDC.

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About DNP

Over twenty-five years ago, DNP was one of the first companies to pioneer thermal transfer ribbon technology—and the oldest company to start business development in thermal transfer ribbon technology. DNP's Information Media Supply (IMS) division has since grown to be the world's largest manufacturer of thermal transfer ribbons for bar code and dye-sublimation printers. DNP is also the world's largest diversified printing/coating technologies company. At its 74 plants, both in Japan and overseas, DNP's operations include commercial printing, packaging, decorative materials, electronics, business forms and information media supplies. DNP is a global corporation with \$15 billion in annual revenue. DNP IMS America Corporation is a 100% US subsidiary of Dai Nippon Printing Co., Ltd., and their operations in the United States opened in 1995.

ABOUT RIDC

The Regional Industrial Development Corporation of Southwestern Pennsylvania (RIDC) is recognized as one of Pennsylvania's largest and most successful private, not-for-profit economic development corporations. Established in 1955, the RIDC was formed to foster new employment opportunities and to diversify the regional economy of Southwestern Pennsylvania. Through a wide range of real estate development activities, RIDC provides development, finance, and lease of new and redeveloped buildings and stands ready to assist the growth of businesses throughout the Pittsburgh region. RIDC provides a dynamic, regional approach to economic development, focused on manufacturing, assembly, distribution, and research & development. RIDC is also the administrator of the Foreign-Trade Zone #33. RIDC has developed greenfield industrial parks as well as Brownfield sites. Today, RIDC owns over 2,800 acres of land in various industrial parks and manages over 60 buildings. There are over 5,200 jobs in RIDC's tenant facilities.

ABOUT WCIDC

The Westmoreland County Industrial Development Corporation (WCIDC) is acclaimed as a leader in Pennsylvania for industrial park development and was formed in 1983 as a non-profit corporation by the Westmoreland County Board of Commissioners. Although the main focus of the WCIDC is the development of industrial parks, it is committed to supporting economic development efforts as the primary marketing agent for Westmoreland County. WCIDC implements a comprehensive economic development strategy to promote growth in terms of job creation, economic output and a stable tax base for the county. Through the development of a county-wide industrial park system, a responsive Business Calling Program and involvement in public/private partnerships, WCIDC strives to foster business growth, resulting in job opportunities for the citizens of Westmoreland County. At present, the county's industrial park system, consisting of 4 Brownfield redevelopment projects, 11 greenfield industrial parks and a state-of-the-art rail freight intermodal terminal contains 123 companies employing more than 9,026 workers.