

**OHIO TAX CREDIT AUTHORITY MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
MEETING DATE: JANUARY 29, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit Authority was called to order at 10:02 a.m. on January 29, 2018 in Columbus, Ohio by David Goodman.

Roll Call:	David Goodman, Chair	Present
	Darnita Bradley	Present
	Brian Cooper	Present
	Emmett Kelly	Present
	David Smith	Present

Staff Members Present: Rasheda Hansard, Daniel Strasser, Eric Lindner, and Todd Walker

Others present: Liz Askew, Matt Deptola, Tori Schaefer, Chris Strayer, Kim Harp, and Matt Cybulski

Minutes Approval: Goodman made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 meeting. Bradley seconded. The vote was 3-0 yes. Voting Goodman, Bradley, and Smith.

PROJECTS

Kadant Black Clawson LLC appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the Cities of Lebanon and Mason, Warren County. Goodman made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.687% for 8 years for Kadant Black Clawson LLC in exchange for a commitment to create 62 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$3,546,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$7,360,000 in existing payroll at the project location in the Cities of Lebanon and Mason, Warren County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2025. Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

Aetna Resources LLC; Aetna Medicaid Administrators LLC; and Coventry Health Care Workers Compensation, Inc. appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of New Albany, Franklin County. Goodman made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.256% for 8 years for Aetna Resources LLC; Aetna Medicaid Administrators LLC; and Coventry Health Care Workers Compensation, Inc. in exchange for a commitment to create 350 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$14,159,600 in new annual payroll and retaining \$69,824,193 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of New Albany, Franklin County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2025. Smith seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

Central Machinery Company, LLC appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in Marion Township, Marion County. Goodman made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.438% for 7 years for Central Machinery Company, LLC in exchange for a commitment to create 55 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$3,160,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$2,850,000 in existing payroll at the project location in Marion Township, Marion County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2025. Cooper seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Equator Design, Inc. appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Cincinnati, Hamilton County. Goodman made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.398% for 7 years for Equator Design, Inc. in exchange for a commitment to create 50 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$3,500,000 in new annual payroll at the project location in the City of Cincinnati, Hamilton County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2024. Kelly seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

St. Bernard Soap Company appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of St. Bernard, Hamilton County. Goodman made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.551% for 8 years for St. Bernard Soap Company in exchange for a commitment to create 112 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$4,700,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$9,045,417 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of St. Bernard, Hamilton County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2025. Smith seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Fairmount Santrol Inc. appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Independence, Cuyahoga County and Chester Township, Geauga County. Goodman made a motion to approve a tax credit of 2.609% for 8 years for Fairmount Santrol Inc. in exchange for a commitment to create 27 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$6,800,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$7,700,000 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of Independence, Cuyahoga County and Chester Township, Geauga County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2025. Cooper seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

OTHER BUSINESS

Aleris Ohio Management, Inc. (City of Beachwood/Cuyahoga County)

The staff recommends that the Authority reassign the tax credit agreement from Aleris Ohio Management, Inc. (and associated FEIN) to Aleris Rolled Products, Inc. (and associated FEIN).

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

GCA Services Group, Inc. (City of Cleveland/Cuyahoga County)

The staff recommends that the Authority reassign the tax credit agreement from GCA Services Group, Inc. (and associated FEIN) to ABM Industries, Inc. (and associated FEIN).

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Pillar Technology Group, LLC (City of Columbus/Franklin County)

The staff recommends that the Authority change the project location from 580 N. 4th St., Columbus, OH 43215 to 711 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43215.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Fostoria Ethanol LLC (City of Fostoria/Seneca County)

The staff recommends that the Authority change the name of the grantee on the tax credit agreement from Fostoria Ethanol, LLC to Poet Biorefining-Fostoria, LLC. The FEIN remains unchanged.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Hyundai Ideal Electric Co. (City of Mansfield/Richland County)

The staff recommends that the Authority change the name of the grantee on the tax credit agreement from Hyundai Ideal Electric Co. to The Ideal Electric Power Company. The FEIN remains unchanged.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

Amazon Fulfillment Services, Inc. (City of Euclid/Cuyahoga County)

The staff recommends that the Authority change the name of the grantee on the tax credit agreement from Amazon Fulfillment Services, Inc. and Amazon.com.dedc, LLC to Amazon.com.dedc, LLC. The FEIN remains unchanged.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

The Sophic Group, Inc. (City of Columbus/Franklin County)

The staff recommends that the Authority change the retained payroll and retained Ohio employee payroll commitment from \$3,884,000 to \$2,085,726. The baseline Ohio payroll for year 1 will be \$2,127,440.52 and \$2,169,989.33 for year 2.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Smith seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

deSter Corporation (City of Lima/Allen County)

The staff recommends that the Authority reduce the fixed asset investment commitment from \$5,300,000 to \$5,000,000 for new machinery and equipment.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Kelly seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Joseph Manufacturing Company, Inc. (City of Youngstown/Mahoning County)

The staff recommends that the Authority update the fixed asset investment commitment to \$23,800,000 (\$18,843,000 in machinery and equipment, \$4,750,000 in building costs, and \$207,000 in land costs).

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Multi-Color Corporation (Union Township/Clermont County)

The staff recommends that the Authority increase the rate of the tax credit from 1.303% to 1.950% for years 8 and 9 and add the project location at 4101 Founders Blvd, Batavia, Ohio 45103.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Smith seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

Keihin Thermal Technology of America, Inc. (Village of Mount Sterling/Madison County)

With the company's written consent, the staff recommends that the Authority approve the conversion of the grantee's Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit program from a withholdings-based incentive to a payroll-based incentive. The staff recommends the following changes to the tax credit agreement:

- 1) Change the tax credit rate from 45% to 1.092%;
- 2) Update the baseline payroll to \$9,514,820.00 for year 1 and \$9,724,146.04 for year 2.

These changes are authorized by ORC 122.17(R), effective 9/29/2015.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

MedAssets Net Revenue Systems, LLC (TBD/TBD)

The staff recommends that the Authority cancel the tax credit. The company never executed the tax credit agreement and has not received any tax credit certificates.

Goodman made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 5-0. All present voted yes.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

- **Discussion on the Withholding Adjustment Factor**

MOTION TO AJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m. by David Goodman.

The next meeting is scheduled February 26, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. on the 31st Floor.

Chair of Ohio Tax Credit Authority's Signature

A handwritten signature in blue ink is written over a horizontal black line. The signature is cursive and appears to be 'D. Goodman'.