

North American Salt Company \$7,300,000 INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

HIGHLIGHTS

Eligibility: NAICS Section - 21

COMPANY INCENTIVES

Approximately \$ 1,153,000 in real property tax benefits

Approximately \$205,000 in sales tax benefits

Project Title: North American Salt Company

Project Address: 1951 Hamburg Turnpike

> Lackawanna, New York 14218 (Lackawanna City School District)

Vorth American Salt

SIC/NAICS: 212391

Agency Request

An exemption from sales tax and real property tax in connection with the construction and equipping of two structures for import, packaging and distribution of bulk salt.

| New Building Construction | \$4,670,000 |
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| Manufacturing Equipment | 1,120,000 |
| Non-Manufacturing Equipment | 10,000 |
| Soft Costs | 1,500,000 |
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Total Project Cost \$7,300,000

Company Description

North American Salt Company ("NASC") provides salt and other minerals to customers throughout the United States. Products include mined rock salt for highway and consumer deicing and high-grade branded and private label mineral products for home and business uses.

NASC is owned by NAMSCO, Inc. which is 100% owned by Compass Minerals International, the largest salt producer in North America and the United Kingdom, and is a world-wide leader in the minerals and specialty fertilizer business.

NASC is headquartered in Overland Park, Kansas.

Project Description

The proposed project will consist of a land lease with Gateway Trade Center and the construction and equipping of two structures for import, packaging and distribution of bulk salt from the North American Salt Mine Company mine located in Goderich, Ontario via ship vessel.

Off loaded bulk salt material will be housed in a 20,000 ton storage dome to be constructed on the site. The bulk material will be transferred into a 28,000 sq. ft. adjacent packaging/warehousing/distribution facility.

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Project Benefits

- The project is anticipated to create 8 new jobs.
- The project will generate approximately \$304,000 of revenue to the local taxing jurisdictions over the abatement period representing \$24,000 to the County of Erie, \$142,00 to the City of Lackawanna and \$138,000 to the City of Lackawanna School District.

Project Incentives

- Real property tax savings of approximately \$1,153,000
- Sales tax savings of approximately \$205,000.

New Tax Revenue Estimated

| Current Yearly Taxes | Estimated New Assessed Value | Additional Revenue to taxing jurisdictions over 7 year PILOT period. | Full taxes in first year after abatement period expires |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---|
| N/A | \$3,269,000 | \$304,000 | \$230,000 |
| Combined Tax Rate: \$70.46 | | | |

^{*}New assessment is determined by taking 70% of construction budget and applying equalization rate

Employment

<u>Current:</u> <u>Year 2 (after completion of Project)</u> 0 8

Material Terms

| Condition | Term | Recapture Provision |
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| Total Investment | At project completion | Investment amount equal to or greater than 85% of project amount. Total project Amount = \$7,300,000 85% = \$6,205,000 |
| Employment | To coincide with PILOT term | 85% of projected employment (8) = 6 |
| Local Labor | Construction period | Adherence to policy including quarterly reporting |
| PILOT | PILOT Term-7 Years | Up to 100% recapture at Agency discretion |
| Recapture Period | Coincides with term of PILOT | Recapture of state and local sales taxes and real property taxes |

Recapture applies to:

State and Local Sales Taxes Payment in Lieu of Taxes

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Recapture

Pursuant to Section 875 of New York General Municipal Law, the agency may recover or recapture from the company any state sales tax and use tax exemption benefits taken by the company that are in violation of the GML.

In addition, it is the recommendation of the ECIDA's Policy Committee to recapture the local share of sales tax and real property taxes.

At completion of project company must certify i) total investment amount equal to or greater than 85% of amount proposed ii) confirm that company has met 85% of its projected full time employment and iii) confirm adherence to ECIDA local labor hiring policy.

Project History

| 1/21/2014 | Public Hearing held. Transcript attached. |
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| 1/29/2014 | Resolution presented to Board of Directors authorizing adoption of a Negative Declaration in accordance with SEQRA. |
| 1/29/2014 | Lease/Leaseback Inducement Resolution presented to Board. |