

Erie County Industrial Development Agency Meeting of the Membership

ECIDA Offices 95 Perry Street, 4th Floor Conference Room Buffalo, New York 14203

September 24, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

| 1.0 | Call t | Call to Order | | | | |
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| | 1.1 | Call to Order Meeting of the Membership | | | | |
| 2.0 | Appro | oval of Minutes: | | | | |
| | 2.1 | Approval of Minutes of August 27, 2025 Meeting of the Me | mbership (Action It | em) (Pages 2-7) | | |
| 3.0 | Amen | datory Inducement Resolution(s): | | | | |
| | 3.1 | Upstate Niagara Cooperative (Pages 8-44) | | | | |
| 4.0 | Induc | ement Resolution(s): | ECIDA | Private | | |
| | 4.1 | (None) | Incentives | Investment | Municipality | |
| 5.0 | Repor | ts / Action Items / Information Item(s): | | | | |
| | 5.1 5.2 5.3 | Financial Report (Informational) (Pages 45-48) Finance & Audit Committee Update (Informational) a) 2026 Budget Timetable (Informational) (Page 49) b) Review of 2026 Proposed Budget (Informational) (Page 2025 Tax Incentives Induced/Closing Schedule (Information | | | | |
| 6.0 | Mana | gement Team Report(s): | | | | |
| | 6.1 | | | | | |
| 7.0 | Adjou | rnment- Next Meeting – October 22, 2025 | | | | |

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (ECIDA or AGENCY)

DATE AND PLACE: August 27, 2025, at the Erie County Industrial Development Agency,

95 Perry Street, 4th Floor Conference Room, Buffalo, New York 14203

PRESENT: Dr. LaVonne Ansari, Rev. Mark E. Blue, Hon. Joseph H. Emminger,

Dottie Gallagher, Lorry Goldhawk, Tyra Johnson, Hon. Brian J. Kulpa, Glenn Nellis, Hon. Brian Nowak, Kenneth A. Schoetz and Hon. Taisha

St. Jean Tard

VIA ZOOM: Brenda W. McDuffie¹

EXCUSED: Denise Abbott, Jonathan Dandes, Gregory Inglut, Hon. Mark C.

Poloncarz, and Hon. Christopher P. Scanlon

OTHERS PRESENT: John Cappellino, President & CEO; Mollie Profic, Chief Financial

Officer; Beth O'Keefe, Vice President of Operations; Jerry Manhard, Chief Lending Officer; Grant Lesswing, Director of Business Development; Brian Krygier, Director of Information Technology; Carrie Hocieniec, Operations Assistant/Assistant Secretary; Andrew Federick, Director of Property Development; Soma Hawramee, Compliance Portfolio Manager and Robert G. Murray, Esq., General

Counsel/Harris Beach Murtha Cullina PLLC

GUESTS: Zaque Evans on behalf of Erie County; Daniel Castle on behalf of Erie

County; Eric Recoon, Evan Finegan, Travis Gordon on behalf of Urban Vantage, LLC; Christa McHale, Daniel Dechert on behalf of Erie 1 BOCES; Enrico D'Abate on behalf of McGuire Development; Lauren Pacheco, Louis Petrucci on behalf of Buffalo Public Schools and

Jonathan Epstein on behalf of Buffalo News

There being a quorum present at 12:06 p.m., the meeting of the members of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency (the "ECIDA" or "Agency"), was called to order by Mr. Cappellino, who presided over the meeting in the absence of presence of Chair McDuffie and Vice Chair Abbott.

Ms. McDuffie participated via video conference call.

MINUTES

The minutes of the July 23, 2025, meeting of the members were presented. Mr. Nellis moved, and Mr. Schoetz seconded to approve of the minutes. Mr. Cappellino called for the vote, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

<u>Policy Committee Update.</u> Mr. Cappellino updated members on the most recent Policy Committee meeting in which the Policy Committee recommended to the Board the approval of the two projects to be presented to the Board for its consideration at today's meeting.

INDUCEMENT RESOLUTIONS

93 NYRPT, LLC/Erie 1 BOCES, 2911 Walden Avenue, Depew, New York. Ms. O'Keefe reviewed this proposed sales and use tax and real property tax abatement benefits project involving the consolidation of Erie 1 BOCES sites located within public schools in West Seneca, Tonawanda and Cheektowaga into a single site in the Village of Depew. The renovation of an existing 179,144 SF building and the construction of 39,975 SF of additional space to enhance the educational environment and optimize resources to better support students with diverse needs.

General discussion ensued.

As a condition precedent of receiving Financial Assistance, and as a material term or condition as approved by the Agency in connection with the Project, the Company covenants and agrees and understands that it must, subject to potential modification, termination and/or recapture of Financial Assistance for failure to meet and maintain the commitments and thresholds as described below, submit, on an annual basis or as otherwise indicated below through the termination of the PILOT Agreement, a certification, as so required by the Agency, confirming:

- (i) Investment Commitment- the total investment made with respect to the Project at the time of Project completion equals or exceeds \$64,175,000 (which represents the product of 85% multiplied by \$75,500,00 being the total project cost as stated in the Company's application for Financial Assistance).
- (ii) Employment Commitment that there are at least 280 existing full time equivalent ("FTE") employees located at, or to be located at, the Facility as stated in the Company's application for Financial Assistance (the "Baseline FTE"); and
 - the number of current FTE employees in the then current year at the Facility;
 and
 - that within two (2) years of Project completion, the Company has maintained and created FTE employment at the Facility equal to 348 FTE employees [representing the sum of (x) 280 Baseline FTE and (y) 68 FTE employees, being the product of 85% multiplied by 81 (being the 81 new FTE employee positions proposed to be created by the Company as stated in its Application)]. To confirm and verify the Company's employment numbers, the Agency requires that, at a minimum, the Company provide employment data to the

Agency on a quarterly basis, said information to be provided on the Agency's "Quarterly Employment Survey" form to be made available to the Company by the Agency.

- (iii) Local Labor Commitment that the Company adheres to and complies with the Agency's Local Labor Workforce Certification Policy on a quarterly basis during the construction period.
- (iv) Equal Pay Commitment that the Company adheres to and complies with the Agency's Pay Equity Policy.
- (v) Unpaid Real Property Tax Policy Commitment that the Company is compliant with the Agency's Unpaid Real Property Tax Policy.

Ms. St. Jean Tard moved and Mr. Nellis seconded to approve the Project as proposed. Mr. Cappellino then called for the vote and the following resolution was unanimously approved:

RESOLUTION OF THE ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY: (i) ACCEPTING THE APPLICATION OF 93 NYRPT LLC, AND/OR INDIVIDUAL(S) OR AFFILIATE(S), SUBSIDIARY(IES), OR ENTITY(IES) FORMED OR TO BE FORMED ON ITS BEHALF (INDIVIDUALLY, AND/OR COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY") IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT DESCRIBED BELOW; (ii) RATIFYING THE SCHEDULING, NOTICING, AND CONDUCTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT; (iii) MAKING A DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT; APPOINTING THE COMPANY, OR ITS DESIGNEE, AS ITS AGENT TO UNDERTAKE THE PROJECT; (v) AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF THE PROJECT TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPANY IN THE FORM OF (A) A SALES TAX EXEMPTION BENEFIT FOR PURCHASES AND RENTALS RELATED TO THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE PROJECT, AND (B) A PARTIAL ABATEMENT FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXES BENEFIT THROUGH THE PILOT AGREEMENT; AND (vi) AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT, LEASEBACK AGREEMENT, A PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX AGREEMENT, AN AGENT AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT AGREEMENT, AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

1016 East Delavan, LLC/BPS Commissary Kitchen, 1016-1044 East Delavan Avenue, Buffalo, New York. Ms. O'Keefe reviewed this proposed sales and use tax, mortgage recording tax and real property tax abatement benefits project involving the construction of a 61,000 square foot single story commissary kitchen for the sole use of the Buffalo Public Schools ("BPS") to prepare and distribute school meals to all schools in the district. The new facility will cook onsite, using locally grown products, creating fresh and high-quality meal options for students. The new building will also include office space for administration and a test kitchen that will serve as a

conference room/community space available for local community meetings and training for food service employees.

General discussion ensued.

As a condition precedent of receiving Financial Assistance, and as a material term or condition as approved by the Agency in connection with the Project, the Company covenants and agrees and understands that it must, subject to potential modification, termination and/or recapture of Financial Assistance for failure to meet and maintain the commitments and thresholds as described below, submit, on an annual basis or as otherwise indicated below through the termination of the PILOT Agreement, a certification, as so required by the Agency, confirming:

- (i) Investment Commitment- the total investment actually made with respect to the Project at the time of Project completion equals or exceeds \$29,014,821 (which represents the product of 85% multiplied by \$34,135,084 being the total project cost as stated in the Company's application for Financial Assistance).
- (ii) Employment Commitment that there are at least 16 existing full time equivalent employees ("FTE") and at least 35 existing part time equivalent employees ("PTE") located at, or to be located at, the Facility as stated in the Company's application for Financial Assistance (the "Baseline FTE"); and
 - the number of current FTE employees in the then current year at the Facility; and
 - that within two (2) years of Project completion, the Company has maintained and created FTE employment at the Facility equal to 16 FTE and 47 PTE employees [the 47 PTE employees being calculated by taking the sum of the Baseline PTE of 35 plus the product the product of 85% and 15 PTE (being the total number of new PTE employee positions proposed to be created by the Company)]. To confirm and verify the Company's employment numbers, the Agency requires that, at a minimum, the Company provide employment data to the Agency on a quarterly basis, said information to be provided on the Agency's "Quarterly Employment Survey" form to be made available to the Company by the Agency.
- (iii) Local Labor Commitment that the Company adheres to and complies with the Agency's Local Labor Workforce Certification Policy on a quarterly basis during the construction period.
- (iv) Equal Pay Commitment that the Company adheres to and complies with the Agency's Pay Equity Policy.
- (v) Unpaid Real Property Tax Policy Commitment that the Company is compliant with the Agency's Unpaid Real Property Tax Policy.

- (vi) Construction Period Commitment that the Company, in accordance with the EIP Policy, meets a 30% MWBE (25% MBE and 5% WBE) utilization rate, based upon total construction contract value, for construction activities.
- (vii) Post Construction Period Commitment that the Company demonstrate that it has total workforce (jobs retained) consisting of 30% minorities and women (minimum 20% minority and at least 30% minorities or women), based upon total workforce commitments within two years after Project completion and maintain those percentages during the term of the applicable PILOT Agreement and on an annual basis complete/implement at least one (1) of the EIP Policy Best Practices as described therein during the term of the applicable PILOT Agreement.

Ms. St. Jean Tard moved and Rev. Blue seconded to approve the Project as proposed. Mr. Cappellino then called for the vote and the following resolution was unanimously approved:

RESOLUTION OF THE ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY: (i) ACCEPTING THE APPLICATION OF 1016 EAST DELAVAN, LLC, AND/OR INDIVIDUAL(S) OR AFFILIATE(S), SUBSIDIARY(IES), OR ENTITY(IES) FORMED OR TO BE FORMED ON ITS BEHALF (INDIVIDUALLY, AND/OR COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY") IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT DESCRIBED BELOW; (ii) RATIFYING THE SCHEDULING, NOTICING, AND CONDUCTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT; (iii) MAKING A DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT; (iv) APPOINTING THE COMPANY, OR ITS DESIGNEE, AS ITS AGENT TO UNDERTAKE THE PROJECT; (v) AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF THE PROJECT TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPANY IN THE FORM OF (A) A SALES TAX EXEMPTION BENEFIT FOR PURCHASES AND RENTALS RELATED TO THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE PROJECT, (B) A MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX EXEMPTION BENEFIT FOR FINANCING RELATED TO THE PROJECT, AND (C) A PARTIAL ABATEMENT FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXES BENEFIT THROUGH THE PILOT AGREEMENT; AND (vi) AUTHORIZING THE A NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF LEASE AGREEMENT, LEASEBACK AGREEMENT, PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX A AGREEMENT, AN AGENT AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT AGREEMENT, AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

REPORTS / ACTION ITEMS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Renaissance Commerce Park ("RCP") – WYE Yard Rail Relocation Project – Authorization to Utilize UDAG Funds for Project. Mr. Federick described the ILDC WYE Yard Rail Relocation project.

General discussion ensued.

Rev. Blue moved, and Mr. Schoetz seconded, to approve utilizing UDAG funds for the RCP WYE Yard Rail Relocation project. Mr. Cappellino called for a vote and the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION OF THE ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("AGENCY") TO (i) AUTHORIZE THE ALLOCATION OF \$3,000,000 FROM THE AGENCY'S U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACTION GRANT ("UDAG") REFLOW FUND TO BE UTILIZED BY THE INDUSTRIAL LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO FUND THE WYE RAIL RELOCATION PROJECT AT RENAISSANCE COMMERCE PARK, AND (ii) TO ENTER INTO A FUNDING AGREEMENT IN FURTHERANCE OF SAME

<u>Financial Report.</u> Ms. Profic presented the July financial reports. The balance sheet shows that the IDA finished the month with total assets of \$35.4M, including unrestricted cash of \$6.8M available for Agency operations. Net assets increased to \$20.3M. Overall assets increased \$870,000 from June due to increases in cash and restricted cash. During July, ECIDA had overall net income, and also received and deposited PILOT payments to PIF accounts as administrator of the funds. Liabilities increased \$341,000 due to the corresponding increase in funds held on behalf of others with those PILOT payments. The monthly income statement shows net income of over \$500,000. Operating revenue of \$856,000 was above the monthly budget by \$564,000, due to \$708,000 of project administrative fees received in July. Administrative fees of \$550,000 were the result of an ILDC bond issuance (passed through under shared services agreement), and \$156,000 was collected on three other projects. Operating expenses of \$277,000 were \$16,000 above budget, mostly due to some required service licenses and upgrades on the general office expenses. Strategic initiatives during the month were \$75,000, and net non-operating revenue of \$44,000, brings us to net income of \$546,809 for the month. The year-to-date income statement shows operating revenues of nearly \$2.0M, including administrative fee revenue of \$1.4M. We are 78% of our annual budget through July. Operating expenses of \$1.86M are \$73,000 below budget. Net special project grant income is \$34,000, and strategic initiatives year-to-date total \$175,000. Net non-operating revenue of \$291,000 gives us net income of \$265,524 for the year. Mr. Cappellino directed that the report be received and filed.

At this point, Mr. Schoetz left the meeting.

<u>2025 Tax Incentives Induced/Closing Schedule</u>. Mr. Cappellino provided this report to Board members. Mr. Cappellino directed that the report be received and filed.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Cappellino adjourned the meeting of the Agency at 12:35 p.m.

Dated: August 27, 2025

Elizabeth A. O'Keefe, Secretary

Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. \$ 255,000,000

AMENDATORY RESOLUTION

ELIGIBILITY

• NAICS Section - 311511

COMPANY INCENTIVES

- Approx \$5,998,343 in real property tax savings
- ADJUSTED: Approx \$3,997,610 in real property tax savings (per change in SF and tax rates)
- Up to \$3,937,500 in sales tax savings
- AMENDED: Up to \$6,125,000 in sales tax savings
- ADDED: Up to \$1,890,000 in mortgage recording tax savings

JOBS & ANNUAL PAYROLL

- Current Jobs: 240 FT
- Projected retained jobs: 240 FT
- Est. salary/yr. of jobs retained: \$71,000
- · Projected new jobs:130 FT
- Est. salary/yr. of jobs created: \$70,000
- Annual Payroll: \$ 26,500,000
- Construction Jobs: 994

PROJECTED COMMUNITY BENEFITS*

- Term: 10 YEARS
- NET Community Benefits: \$926,932,206
- Spillover Jobs: 1,690

Total Payroll: \$872,667,762

INCENTIVE COST / COMMUNITY BENEFIT RATIO (discounted at 2%)*

Incentives: \$11,627,651

Community Benefit: \$845,396,750

Cost: Benefit Ratio: 1:73

Project Title: W Seneca Expansion

Project Address North America Drive, West Seneca, NY14224

(West Seneca Central School District)

Agency Request

A sales and real property tax abatement associated with a 165,000 SF expansion to an existing plant in West Seneca. The additional space will primarily be used for manufacturing purposes with remaining SF allocated to warehouse and office space.

| | <u>PRIOR</u> | <u>CURRENT</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Building Addition | \$ 60,000,000 | \$ 93,780,000 |
| Manufacturing Equipment | \$ 90,000,000 | \$ 161,220,000 |
| Total Project Cost | \$ 150,000,000 | \$ 255,000,000 |
| | | |
| 85% | \$ 127,500,000 | \$ 216,750,000 |

Company Description

Upstate Niagara Cooperative (UNC) Inc is a dairy cooperative made up of approximately 260 dairy farms, primarily located in NYS. UNC - a food and beverage company has been producing a wide variety of award-winning, high-quality dairy products since 1971. These offerings include milk, cream, flavored milk, shelf stable ready to drink beverages, yogurt, dip, sour cream, cottage cheese, canned evaporated milk and ice cream mix products. These products are marketed under the names, Upstate Farms, Bison, Intense Milk, Milk for Life, Spring Farms, Gold Cow and Valley Farms brands in addition to numerous contract and retail customer labels.

Project Description

Upstate Niagara Cooperative has updated its expansion plans for its project in West Seneca. Overall project costs have increased by \$105 M with costs of the building addition increasing by over \$33M and the cost of the manufacturing equipment increased by \$71M. While costs have increased, the total project square footage has decreased (from 250,000 to 165,000 SF) with the elimination of some vacant space (set aside for future development), a decision not to construct a fully automated cooler space and by reducing the size of the filling room. These decisions combined with adding certain efficiencies allowed the company to maintain a similar throughput in less overall space.

Factors contributing to the increase in construction costs include a rise in material costs, fine tuning of original estimates (initial budget was prepared based upon rough estimates), and some new / unanticipated costs including the need to add a new sewer line.

This request for incentives includes a mortgage recording tax benefit that was not pursued in the original request.

^{*} Cost Benefit Analysis Tool powered by MRB Group

Economic Impact: Inform Analytics Cost-Benefit Analysis

The Eric County Industrial Development Agency uses the Cost Benefit Analysis Tool powered by MRB Group to assess the economic impact of a project applying for incentives. A Cost-Benefit Analysis is required by Section 859-a (5)(b) of General Municipal Law. For the complete Cost Benefit Analysis – please see the attached MRB Cost Benefit Calculator.

Cost: Incentives

| | Tax Exemption | Amount |
|-------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Property | \$ 3,997,610 |
| COSTS | Sales | \$ 6,125,000 |
| 8 | Mortgage Recording | \$ 1,890,000 |
| | Total | \$12,012,610 |
| | Discounted at 2% | \$11,627,651 |

Benefit: Projected Community Benefit*

| | Region | Recipient | Revenue Type | \$ Amount ** |
|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| | Erie | Individuals | Payroll Construction | \$ 155,770,764 |
| | County | | Payroll Permanent | \$ 716,896,998 |
| 2 | | Public | Property Taxes | \$ 1,001,670 |
| BENEFITS | | | Sales Taxes | \$ 7,254,050 |
| ä | | | Other Muni Revenue (NFTA) | \$ 630,000 |
| 8 | New York | Public | Income Taxes | \$ 39,270,049 |
| | State | | Sales Taxes | \$ 6,107,734 |
| | | | Total Benefits to EC + NYS*** | \$926,932,206 |
| | | | Discounted at 2% | \$845,396,750 |

^{*} Cost Benefit Analysis Tool powered by MRB Group **includes direct & indirect \$ over project period *** may not sum to total due to rounding

Discounted Cost

\$11,627,651

Discounted Benefit

\$845,396,750

Ratio

1: 73

Conclusion: The Cost Benefit for this project is: 73:1. For every \$1 in costs (incentives), this project provides \$73 in benefits (payroll & tax revenue). Note: For Erie County, every \$1 in costs (incentives) provides \$106 in benefits to the community.

New Tax Revenue Estimated

| PILOT Type | Current Yearly Taxes | Estimated New Assessed Value | | Additional Town Revenue Over abatement period | Additional School Revenue over abatement period | New Yearly Taxes Upon Expiration of Abatement Period |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| 10 Year Standard PILOT | | | \$ 474,628 \$ 228,938* \$ 703,566 | \$ 741,905 \$ 357,860* \$1,099,765 | \$ 1,615,107 \$ 779,051* \$ 2,394,158 | |
| 10 Year EIP PILOT (Tier 2): has 12 yr benefit period | \$ 182,997 | \$ 6,000,000 | \$561,178 | \$ 877,194 | \$1,909,626 | \$ 682,925 |
| Combined Tax Rate | : \$ 83.28 | | | | | |

^{*}added 2 years at full property taxes – for comparison purposes

Draft Recapture Material Terms

| Condition | Term | Recapture Provision |
|------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Total Investment | At project completion | Investment amount equal to or greater than 85% of project amount. Total project amount = \$ 255,000,000 85% = \$ 216,750,000 |
| Employment | Coincides with 10-year PILOT | Maintain Base = 240 FTE Create 85% of Projected Projected = 130 FTE 85% = 110 FTE Recapture Employment = 350 FTE |
| Local Labor | Construction period | Adherence to policy including quarterly reporting |
| Pay Equity | Coincides with 10-year PILOT | Adherence to Policy |
| Unpaid Tax | Coincides with 10-year PILOT | Adherence to Policy |
| Recapture Period | Coincides with 10-year PILOT | Recapture of Real Property Tax, Mortgage recording tax, state and local sales taxes |

Recapture applies to:

State and Local Sales Taxes Real Property Tax Mortgage Recording Tax

Recapture

Pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law, the agency shall modify, recover, recapture or terminate any financial assistance taken by the company that is in violation of the GML.

At completion of the project company must certify i) total investment amount is equal to or greater than 85% of the anticipated project amount; ii) company has maintained 240 FTE jobs and created 110 FTE jobs, iii) confirm adherence to local labor policy during construction and iv) its adherence to unpaid tax/pay equity policies for recapture term.

Project ECIDA History

- 6/30/25: Public hearing held.
- 9/24/25: Inducement Resolution presented to Board of Directors adopting a Neg Dec in accordance with SEQRA
- 9/24/25: Lease/Leaseback Inducement Resolution presented to the Board of Directors

Company ECIDA History

- 9/25/24: \$150M Private Investment Additional 250K SF to existing plant in WS. Inducement Resolution presented adopting a Neg Dec per SEQRA. Lease/Leaseback Inducement Resolution presented to the Board of Directors (Pending)
- 10/21/2013: \$2.9M Building Addition = 8,600 SF. Sales Tax Incentive West Seneca (Inactive)
- 3/10/2004: \$38M Construction of 165,000 SF manufacturing facility. Property & Sales Tax Incentives West Seneca (Inactive)
- 6/12/2002: \$1.03M Equipment Purchases. Sales Tax Incentive Cheektowaga (Inactive)
- 8/16/2000: \$ 1.16M Construction of 20,400 SF cold storage & dry room. Property & Sales Tax Incentives Cheektowaga (Inactive)
- 8/16/2000: \$ 8.14M Renovations 34,000 SF management & admin building, Property & Sales Tax Incentives Cheektowaga (Inactive)

EVALUATIVE CRITERIA MANUFACTURING/WAREHOUSE/DISTRIBUTION

Project: Upstate Niagara Cooperative

| Wage Rate (above median wage for area) | Average wages for existing employees = |
|---|---|
| | \$71,000 and for created jobs = $$70,000$ |
| Regional Wealth Creation (% sales/customers outside area) | Sales within Erie County = 3% |
| , | Sales outside the area (97%) include: |
| | Outside EC but in NYS = 33% |
| | Outside NYS but in US = 63% |
| | Outside US = 1% |
| In Region Purchases (% of overall purchases) | In region (Erie County) purchases = 3% |
| | Additional Note: Upstate's milk purchases |
| | from Erie County Farms result in the |
| | employment of 87 persons. Milk coming from |
| | surrounding farms in: Niagara, Chautauqua, |
| 9. | Cattaraugus, Genesee and Wyoming support |
| _ | employment of 1,034. In region purchases – |
| | defined broadly as all Counties noted above, |
| D 1.0 D 1 | brings the % of "in region" purchases to 55%. |
| Research & Development Activities | N/A |
| Investment in Energy Efficiency | Yes. New equipment being purchased is more |
| | energy efficient than current equipment used |
| Locational Land Use Factors, Brownfields | by the plant. The Comment angine Plan for West Same |
| or Locally Designated Development Areas | The Comprehensive Plan for West Seneca notes its successful North America Drive |
| of Locarry Designated Development Areas | industrial park where the Town promotes |
| | available land for continued investment with |
| | areas already zoned for manufacturing uses, |
| | consistent with the overall vision and desired |
| | character of the Town. |
| LEED/Renewable Resources | N/A |
| Retention/Flight Risk | N/A |
| DEI Questionnaire | Construction contractors will strive to achieve |
| | MBE/ WBE goals in accordance with EIP |
| | criteria. See DEI questionnaire. |
| Workforce Access – Proximity to Public | N/A |
| Transportation | |
| Onsite child daycare facilities on the | There will not be any child daycare facilities |
| project site | on the site. |
| | |

DATE OF AMENDATORY INDUCEMENT: September 24, 2025

Erie County Industrial Development Agency MRB Cost Benefit Calculator

June 11, 2025

Project Title Project Location

Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. (10 yr std) North America Drive, West Seneca, NY14224



Economic Impacts

Summary of Economic Impacts over the Life of the PILOT **Construction Project Costs**

\$255,000,000

Temporary (Construction)

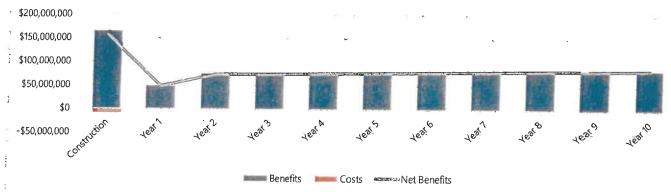
| Part | Direct | Indirect | Total |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Jobs | 994 | 944 | 1938 |
| Earnings | \$97,588,500 | \$58,182,264 | \$155,770,764 |
| Local Spend | \$255,000,000 | \$181,254,000 | \$436,254,000 |

Ongoing (Operations) Aggregate over life of the PILOT

| 1000 | Direct | Indirect | Total |
|----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Jobs | 370 | 746 | 1116 |
| Earnings | \$267,538,811 | \$449,358,187 | \$716,896,998 |

Figure 1

Net Benefits



 $Net\ \textit{Benefits chart will always display construction through year\ \textit{10, irrespective of the length of the PILOT.}$

Total Jobs Temporary Ongoing 0 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 Direct Indirect

Figure 2

Total Earnings

Figure 3



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Ongoing earnings are all earnings over the life of the PILOT.

Fiscal Impacts

Estimated Costs of Exemptions



| | Nominal Value | Discounted Value* |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|
| Property Tax Exemption | \$3,997,610 | \$3,612,651 |
| Sales Tax Exemption | \$6,125,000 | \$6,125,000 |
| Local Sales Tax Exemption | \$3,325,000 | \$3,325,000 |
| State Sales Tax Exemption | \$2,800,000 | \$2,800,000 |
| Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption | \$1,890,000 | \$1,890,000 |
| Local Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption | \$630,000 | \$630,000 |
| State Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption | \$1,260,000 | \$1,260,000 |
| Total Costs | \$12,012,610 | \$11,627,651 |
| State and Local Benefits | | |
| | Nominal Value | Discounted Value* |
| Local Benefits | \$881,553,482 | \$804,010,029 |
| To Private Individuals | \$872,667,762 | \$795,898,481 |
| Temporary Payroll | \$155,770,764 | \$155,770,764 |
| Ongoing Payroll | \$776,896,998 | \$640,127,717 |
| Other Payments to Private Individuals | \$0 | \$0 |
| To the Public | \$8,885,721 | \$8,111,548 |
| Increase in Property Tax Revenue | \$1,001,670 | \$877,995 |
| Temporary Jobs - Sales Tax Revenue | \$1,294,844 | \$1,294,844 |
| Ongoing Jobs - Sales Tax Revenue | \$5,959,206 | \$5,321,062 |
| Other Local Municipal Revenue | \$630,000 | \$617,647 |
| tate Benefits | \$45,378,724 | \$41,386,721 |
| o the Public | \$45,378,724 | \$41,386,721 |
| Temporary Income Tax Revenue | \$7,009,684 | \$7,009,684 |
| Ongoing Income Tax Revenue | \$32,260,365 | \$28,805,747 |
| Temporary Jobs - Sales Tax Revenue | \$1,090,395 | \$1,090,395 |
| Ongoing Jobs - Sales Tax Revenue | <i>\$5,018,279</i> | \$4,480,894 |
| otal Benefits to State & Region | \$926,932,206 | \$845,396,750 |
| Benefit to Cost Ratio | | |
| | Benefit* | Cost* R |

| | | Benefit* | Cost* | Ratio |
|-------------|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------|
| | Local | \$804,010,029 | \$7,567,651 | 106:1 |
| | State | \$41,386,721 | \$4,060,000 | 10:1 |
| Grand Total | *Discounted at the public se | \$845,396,750 | \$11,627,651 | 73:1 |

Additional Comments from IDA

This is a good project.

Does the IDA believe that the project can be accomplished in a timely fashion? Yes

Does this project provide onsite childcare facilities? No

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PILOT Worksheet: Estimate of Real Property Tax Abatement Benefits*** and Percentage of Project Costs financed from Public Sector sources

** The PILOT Worksheet will be: (i) completed by IDA Staff based upon information contained within the Application, and (ii) provided to the Applicant for ultimate inclusion as part of this completed Application.

PILOT Estimate Table Worksheet-Upstate Niagara Cooperative

| Dollar Value of New Construction and Renovation Costs | Estimated New Assessed Value of Property Subject to IDA* | County Tax Rate/1000 | Local Tax Rate (Town/City/Village)/1000 | School Tax Rate/1000 |
|---|---|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 93,780,000 | 6,000,000 | 13.959654 | 21.820735 | 47.503134 |

^{*}Apply equalization rate to value

| PILOT | % | County | Town | School | Total | Full Tax | Net |
|-------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Year | Payment | PILOT | PILOT | PILOT | PILOT | Payment | Exemption |
| | 1 | Amount | Amount | Amount | 1 | w/o | |
| | | | | | | PILOT | |
| 1 | 0.05 | \$34,899 | \$54,552 | \$118,758 | \$208,209 | \$682,925 | \$474,716 |
| 2 | 0.1 | \$39,087 | \$61,098 | \$133,009 | \$233,194 | \$682,925 | \$449,731 |
| 3 | 0.15 | \$43,275 | \$67,644 | \$147,260 | \$258,179 | \$682,925 | \$424,746 |
| 4 | 0.15 | \$43,275 | \$67,644 | \$147,260 | \$258,179 | \$682,925 | \$424,746 |
| 5 | 0.2 | \$47,463 | \$74,190 | \$161,511 | \$283,164 | \$682,925 | \$399,761 |
| 6 | 0.2 | \$47,463 | \$74,190 | \$161,511 | \$283,164 | \$682,925 | \$399,761 |
| 7 | 0.25 | \$51,651 | \$80,737 | \$175,762 | \$308,149 | \$682,925 | \$374,776 |
| 8 | 0.25 | \$51,651 | \$80,737 | \$175,762 | \$308,149 | \$682,925 | \$374,776 |
| 9 | 0.3 | \$55,839 | \$87,283 | \$190,013 | \$333,134 | \$682,925 | \$349,791 |
| 10 | 0.35 | \$60,027 | \$93,829 | \$204,263 | \$358,119 | \$682,925 | \$324,806 |
| TOTAL | | \$474,628 | \$741,905 | \$1,615,107 | \$2,831,640 | \$6,829,249 | \$3,997,609 |

^{***} Estimates provided are based on current property tax rates and assessment value (current as of date of application submission) and have been calculated by IDA staff

Percentage of Project Costs financed from Public Sector Table Worksheet:

| Total Project Cost | Estimated | Estimated | Estimated (up to) | Total of Other Public |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| | Value of | Value of Sales | Value of Mortgage | Incentives (Infrastructure & |
| | PILOT | Tax Incentive | Recording Tax | ESD Grants are PENDING) |
| \$255,000,000 | \$ 3,997,610 | \$ 6,125,000 | \$1,890,000 | 8,000,000 |

Note: special district taxes are not subject to PILOT abatement

Calc % = Est. PILOT + Est. Sales Tax+ Est. Mortgage Tax+ Other)/Total Project Costs: 7.8%

** The PILOT Worksheet will be: (i) completed by IDA Staff based upon information contained within the Application, and (ii) provided to the Applicant for ultimate inclusion as part of this completed Application.

PILOT Estimate Table Worksheet-Upstate Niagara Cooperative EIP 10 YR Enhanced – tier 2

| Dollar Value of New Construction and Renovation Costs | Estimated New Assessed Value of Property Subject to IDA* | County Tax Rate/1000 | Local Tax Rate /1000 | School Tax Rate/1000 |
|---|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| \$93,780,000 | \$6,000,000 | 13.959654 | 21.820735 | 47.503134 |

^{*}Apply equalization rate to value

| PILOT | % | County | Town | School | Total | Full Tax | Net |
|-------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Year | Payment | PILOT | PILOT | PILOT | PILOT | Payment | Exemption |
| | | Amount | Amount | Amount | | w/o PILOT | |
| 1 | 0.05 | \$34,899 | \$54,552 | \$118,758 | \$208,209 | \$682,925 | \$474,716 |
| 2 | 0.05 | \$34,899 | \$54,552 | \$118,758 | \$208,209 | \$682,925 | \$474,716 |
| 3 | 0.1 | \$39,087 | \$61,098 | \$133,009 | \$233,194 | \$682,925 | \$449,731 |
| 4 | 0.1 | \$39,087 | \$61,098 | \$133,009 | \$233,194 | \$682,925 | \$449,731 |
| 5 | 0.15 | \$43,275 | \$67,644 | \$147,260 | \$258,179 | \$682,925 | \$424,746 |
| 6 | 0.15 | \$43,275 | \$67,644 | \$147,260 | \$258,179 | \$682,925 | \$424,746 |
| 7 | 0.2 | \$47,463 | \$74,190 | \$161,511 | \$283,164 | \$682,925 | \$399,761 |
| 8 | 0.2 | \$47,463 | \$74,190 | \$161,511 | \$283,164 | \$682,925 | \$399,761 |
| 9 | 0.25 | \$51,651 | \$80,737 | \$175,762 | \$308,149 | \$682,925 | \$374,776 |
| 10 | 0.25 | \$51,651 | \$80,737 | \$175,762 | \$308,149 | \$682,925 | \$374,776 |
| 11 | 0.3 | \$55,839 | \$87,283 | \$190,013 | \$333,134 | \$682,925 | \$349,791 |
| 12 | 0.5 | \$72,590 | \$113,468 | \$247,016 | \$433,074 | \$682,925 | \$249,851 |
| TOTAL | | \$561,178 | \$877,194 | \$1,909,626 | \$3,347,998 | \$8,195,099 | \$4,847,101 |

*** Estimates provided are based on current property tax rates and assessment value (current as of date of application submission) and have been calculated by IDA staff

Percentage of Project Costs financed from Public Sector Table Worksheet:

| Total Project Cost | Estimated Value of PILOT | Estimated Value of Sales Tax Incentive | Estimated (up to) Value of Mortgage Recording Tax | Total of Other Public Incentives (Infrastructure & ESD Grants are pending) |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---|
| \$255,000,000 | 4,847,101 | \$ 6,125,000 | \$1,890,000 | \$8,000,000 |

Note: special district taxes are not subject to PILOT abatement

Calculate % = Est. PILOT + Est. Sales Tax+ Est. Mortgage Tax+ Other)/Total Project Costs: 8.2%

SECOND PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. project and/or Individual(s), Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf

Public Hearing to be held on June 30, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., at the Town of West Seneca Community Center & Library, located at 1300 Union Road, West Seneca, NY 14224

ATTENDANCE:

Charles Wilson - Upstate Niagara Cooperative

1. WELCOME: Call to Order and Identity of Hearing Officer.

Hearing Officer: Welcome. This public hearing is now open; it is 9:00 a.m. My name is Grant Lesswing. I am the Director of Business Development for the Erie County Industrial Development Agency, and I have been designated by the Agency to be the hearing officer to conduct this public hearing. This public hearing is being live-streamed and made accessible on the Agency's website at ecidany.com.

Hearing Officer: We are here to hold the public hearing on the Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. project and/or Individual(s), Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf. The transcript of this hearing will be reviewed and considered by the Agency in determination of this project. Notice of this hearing appeared in The Buffalo News on Wednesday, June 11, 2025.

3. PROJECT SUMMARY: Description of Project and Contemplated Agency Benefits.

Hearing Officer: The proposed project (the "Project") consists of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain property located on V/L North America Drive, Town of West Seneca, Erie County, New York and all other lands in the Town of West Seneca where, by license or easement or other agreement, the Company or its designees are making improvements that benefit the Project (the "Land"), (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 250,000 sq. ft. addition to the existing 222,851 sq. ft. warehouse facility to be utilized for manufacturing as well as storage for finished goods, ingredients and packaging (the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition by the Company in and around the Improvements of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Original Facility").

The Company has submitted an amended application to the Agency amending its Project application (hereinafter, the "Modified Project") confirming that the Improvements contemplated for the Original Facility have now decreased in size and will now consist of the construction on the Land of an approximately 165,000 square-foot addition to the existing 222,851 sq. ft. warehouse facility to be utilized for manufacturing as well as storage for finished goods, ingredients and packaging (the "Modified Improvements" and with the Equipment and the Land, the "Modified Facility"), and requesting additional financial assistance for the Modified Project in the form of an increase in the sales and use tax exemption that was previously granted to the Company and mortgage recording tax exemption benefits consistent with the policies of the Agency.

4. FORMAT OF HEARING: Review the rules and manner in which the hearing will proceed.

Hearing Officer: All those in attendance are required to register by signing the signing sheet at the front of the room; you will not be permitted to speak unless you have registered. Everyone who has registered will be given an opportunity to make statements and/or comments on the Project.

If you have a written statement or comment to submit for the record, you may leave it at this public hearing, submit it on the Agency's website or deliver it to the Agency at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203. The comment period closes at 4:00 p.m. on July 22, 2025. There are no limitations on written statements or comments.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Hearing Officer gives the Public an opportunity to speak.

Hearing Officer: If anyone is interested in making a statement or comment, please raise your hand, state your name and address; if you are representing a company, please identify the company. I request that speakers keep statements and/or comments to 5 minutes or less.

Charles Wilson, Upstate Niagara Cooperative. I'm the Director of Risk Management. Thank you for having me here. As Grant said we are planning a 165,000 square foot expansion to our existing 220,000 square foot facility in West Seneca. This is to expand our capacity to manufacture yogurts and cottage cheese. We operate in a very competitive marketplace and we ship these products throughout the country utilizing significant milk from New York Farms. We are actually owned by about 230 dairy farms throughout New York State. In addition, we will be adding about 130 good paying jobs with good benefits you know as the project is completed and we appreciate the support of the County and the Town of West Seneca.

△ 6. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

As there are no further statements and/or comments, I will close the public hearing at 9:04 a.m.

SIGN IN SHEET SECOND PUBLIC HEARING

June 30, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at the Town of West Seneca Community Center & Library, located at 1300 Union Road, West Seneca, NY 14224 regarding:

Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. project and/or Individual(s), Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf

Project Location:

V/L North America Drive, West Seneca, New York 14224

| Name | Company and/or Address | X box to speak/comment |
|----------------|--|------------------------|
| Charles Wilson | Upstate Niagara Cooperative 3300 North America Drive West Seneca, New York 14224 | Х |
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TOWN OF WEST SENECA



TOWN SUPERVISOR GARY A. DICKSON

TOWN COUNCIL
ROBERT J. BREIDENSTEIN
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SCOTT D. ROBERTSON

September 12, 2025

RE: Upstate Dairy 3300North America Dr West Seneca, NY 14224

To whom it may concern,

The Town of West Seneca Industrial Park Review Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, July 2nd, 2024, to review the application for the above noted address. The existing manufacturing facility has proposed an expansion of the facility. Upon review of the submitted plans, the applicant expressed their need for more space to produce their products. This expansion will require the business to hire approx. 100 additional employees. The overall business operations will not differ from what is currently taking place at this site. This site is not located adjacent to any residential properties.

Pursuant to Article IIA of the Town Code, which regulates all items in the Town Industrial Park, this addition is required to obtain an amended Restricted Use Permit. Specifically, section 120-28.5 outlines the process for obtaining this. The Town Board voted to approve the Amended Restricted Use Permit at its September 8th, 2025 Town Board meeting.

Previously, when the Industrial Park was constructed in 1991, there was a full environmental review conducted. The Town Board at that time issued a Negative Declaration pursuant to SEQRA law. The Town Board reaffirmed the previous determination at the September 8th, 2025 Town Board meeting.

The Industrial Park Review Committee has made a unanimous positive recommendation for this project previously. At the September 8th, 2025 Town Board meeting, this project was fully approved. This expansion will allow Upstate Dairy to continue to grow as a business in the Town of West Seneca. If there are any questions, please contact me to discuss them.

Regards, Jeffrey Schieber

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AMENDATORY RESOLUTION

<u>UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC., AND/OR INDIVIDUAL(S) OR AFFILIATE(S), SUBSIDIARY(IES), OR ENTITY(IES) FORMED OR TO BE FORMED ON ITS BEHALF</u>

' A regular meeting of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency was convened on Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded, to wit:

RESOLUTION OF THE ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE "AGENCY") AUTHORIZING (i) ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. (THE "COMPANY") IN AMOUNTS EXCEEDING THE AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APROVED BY THE AGENCY; AND (ii) THE EXECUTION OF RELATED DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Chapter 293 of the Laws of 1970 of the State of New York, as amended (collectively, the "Act"), the ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (the "Agency") was created with the authority and power to own, lease and sell property for the purpose of, among other things, acquiring, constructing and equipping civic, industrial, manufacturing, commercial and other facilities as authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. or on behalf of an affiliated entity formed or to be formed (the "Company") originally submitted an application to the Agency (the "Application") requesting the Agency's assistance with a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain property located on V/L North America Drive, Town of West Seneca, Erie County, New York and all other lands in the Town of West Seneca where, by license or easement or other agreement, the Company or its designees are making improvements that benefit the Project (the "Land"), (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 250,000 sq. ft. addition to the existing 222,851 sq. ft. warehouse facility to be utilized for manufacturing as well as storage for finished goods, ingredients and packaging (the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition by the Company in and around the Improvements of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Original Facility"); and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted on September 25, 2024 (the "Original Resolution") the Agency authorized financial assistance to the Company with respect to the Application in the form of (a) an exemption benefit from all New York State and local sales and use taxes for purchases and rentals related to the Project with respect to the qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Facility or used in the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or renovation, rehabilitation or equipping of the Facility, and (b) a partial

abatement from real property taxes benefit consistent with the Agency's Economic Inclusion PILOT Policy, dated as of April 26, 2023 (the "EIP Policy") through a 10 year Tier 2 payment in lieu of tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") with the Company for the benefit of each municipality and school district having taxing jurisdiction over the Project, (collectively, the sales and use tax exemption benefit and the partial abatement from real property taxes benefit, are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Financial Assistance"); and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2025, the Company submitted an amended application (the "Amended Application") to the Agency amending its Project (hereinafter, the "Modified Project") confirming that (i) the Improvements contemplated for the Original Facility have decreased in size and will now consist of the construction on the Land of an approximately 165,000 square-foot addition to the existing 222,851 sq. ft. warehouse facility to be utilized for manufacturing as well as storage for finished goods, ingredients and packaging (the "Modified Improvements" and with the Equipment and the Land, the "Modified Facility"), (ii) Project costs have increased due to an increase in construction costs; and (iii) requesting an increase in Financial Assistance for the Modified Project in the form of an increase in the real property tax abatement benefit, an increase in the sales and use tax exemption benefit, and (iv) the addition of a mortgage recording tax exemption benefit (collectively, the "Modified Financial Assistance"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 859-a, on June 30, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Town of West Seneca Community Center & Library, located at 1300 Union Road, West Seneca, NY 14224, the Agency held a public hearing with respect to the Modified Project and the proposed Modified Financial Assistance (as hereinafter defined) being contemplated by the Agency (the "Second Public Hearing") whereat interested parties were provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views; and

WHEREAS, the Project is located within the Town of West Seneca (the "Town") Industrial Park (the "Industrial Park Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Industrial Park Project entailed and entails the acquisition and development of an industrial, warehousing, and distribution park of approximately 400-500 acres within the Town to ultimately be developed as various individual parcels within the Industrial Park by private developers; and

WHEREAS, the Town, in accordance with Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations promulgated thereto in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 617 (collectively referred to as the "State Environmental Quality Review Act" and/or "SEQR"), undertook coordinated review with respect to the Industrial Park Project, established itself as Lead Agency as defined in SEQR, and determined that the Industrial Park Project was a Type I Action; and

WHEREAS, the Agency, on or about October 11, 1989, affirmed and confirmed the status of the Town as "Lead Agency" within the meaning of and for all purposes of complying with SEQR with respect to the Industrial Park Project; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 1991, the Town accepted the Final Environmental Impact Statement (the "FEIS") for the Industrial Park Project; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2024, the Town completed its review of the Original Project and related materials and the FEIS and specifically determined that there were no potentially significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the Project, that no further environmental impact statement is necessary; and that the environmental impacts resulting from the Original Project are consistent with the provisions of the FEIS as related to the Industrial Park Project; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2025, the Town completed its review of the Modified Project and reaffirmed the Town's September 23, 2024 determination as described above; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 18-A of the Act, the Agency desires to amend the Original Resolution and to adopt a resolution describing the Modified Project and the Modified Financial Assistance that the Agency is contemplating with respect to the Modified Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. All recitals, findings and determinations of the Agency contained in the Original Resolution are hereby reaffirmed, ratified, restated and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth herein in their entirety, except as modified by this Resolution.
- Section 2. With respect to the foregoing, and based upon the representations and warranties made by the Company in its Amended Application, Agency Policy Committee review of and recommendations related to the Modified Project and its July 10, 2025 resolution to recommend Agency approval of same, the Agency approves the Modified Project and hereby confirms that the Improvements contemplated for the Original Facility have decreased in size and will now consist of the construction on the Land of an approximately 165,000 square-foot addition to the Company's existing 222,851 sq. ft. warehouse facility.
- Section 3. Any and all references to Project as so referred to in the Original Resolution shall hereinafter be deemed to reference the Modified Project, as described within this Amendatory Resolution.
- Section 4. Based upon the representations and warranties made by the Company in its Amended Application, subject to the terms and conditions as described herein, and Agency Board member review, discussion and consideration of same, the Agency hereby amends Section 3(A) and 3(B) of the Original Resolution in its entirety to read as follows:
- A. Financial Assistance. With respect to the foregoing, and based upon the representations and warranties made by the Company in its Amended Application for Financial Assistance, the Agency hereby:
 - (i) authorizes and approves the Company, as its agent, to make purchases of goods and services relating to the Project and that would otherwise be subject to New York State and local sales and use tax in an estimated amount

up to \$70,000,000, which may result in New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") not to exceed \$6,125,000. The Agency may consider any requests by the Company for increases to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services; and

- (ii) authorizes and approves that the value of the mortgage recording tax exemption benefit ("mortgage recording tax exemption benefits") shall not exceed \$1,890,000; and
- (iii) authorizes and approves that the real property tax abatement benefits ("PILOT benefits") to be provided over the term of the PILOT Agreement are estimated to be approximately \$3,997,609, resulting in estimated total PILOT payments of \$2,831,640 over the term of the PILOT Agreement.
- Terms and Conditions of Financial Assistance. Pursuant to Section В. 875(3) of the New York General Municipal Law, and per the policies of the Agency, the Agency may recover or recapture from the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, any New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits, and/or mortgage recording tax exemption benefits, and/or partial abatements from real property taxes benefits taken or purported to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, if it is determined that: (i) the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, is not entitled to the New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits; (ii) the New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project; (iii) the New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; (iv) the Company has made a material false statement on its application for Financial Assistance; (v) the New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits and/or mortgage recording tax exemption benefits, and/or the partial abatement from real property taxes benefits are taken in cases where the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, fails to comply with the Investment Commitment, the Employment Commitment, and/or the Local Labor Commitment, said commitments, as described below, being a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project; and/or (vi) the New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits, and/or mortgage recording tax exemption benefits, and/or the partial abatement from real property taxes benefits are taken in cases where the Company fails to comply with the Equal Pay Commitment and/or the Unpaid Real Property Tax Policy Commitment, as described below, being a

material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project.

As a condition precedent of receiving Financial Assistance, the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, must cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any Financial Assistance, and promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands.

Section 5. Based upon the representations and warranties made by the Company in its Amended Application, subject to the terms and conditions as described herein, and Agency Board member review, discussion and consideration of same, the Agency hereby finds, determines and hereby amends Section 3(C)(i) of the Original Resolution in its entirety to read as follows:

(i) Investment Commitment – the total investment actually made with respect to the Project at the time of Project completion equals or exceeds \$216,750,000 (which represents the product of 85% multiplied by \$255,000,000, being the total project cost as stated in the Company's Amended Application).

<u>Section 6</u>. Unless otherwise amended pursuant to the terms contained herein, the terms of the Original Resolution shall remain unchanged.

Section 7. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolutions and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Agency.

Section 8. All actions heretofore undertaken by the Agency and the Company as agent of the Agency are ratified and approved and the Agency and the Company, as agent of the Agency, are hereby authorized to continue to undertake the Modified Project.

<u>Section 9</u>. These Resolutions shall take effect immediately.

Dated: September 24, 2025



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Instructions and Insurance Requirements Document

Section I: Applicant Background Information

Please answer all questions. Use "None" or "Not Applicable" where necessary. Information in this application may be subject to public review under New York State Law.

Applicant Information-Company Receiving Benefit

Project Name

W Seneca Expansion 2024- Revised

Project Summary

Expand West Seneca Plant to accommodate new business and create efficiencies

in our operations

Applicant Name

Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc.

Applicant Address

PO Box 268/368 Pleasant View Drive

Applicant Address 2

Applicant City

Lancaster

Applicant State

New York

Applicant Zip

14086

Phone

(716) 892-3156

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E-mail

cwilson@uncdairy.com

Website

https://www.upstateniagara.com/

NAICS Code

311511

Business Organization

Type of Business

Corporation

Year Established

1965

State

New York

Indicate if your business is 51% or more (Check all boxes that apply)

[No] Minority Owned

[No] Woman Owned

Indicate Minority and/or Woman Owned Business Certification if applicable (Check all boxes that apply)

[No] NYS Certified

[No] Erie Country Certified

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Contact is same as

individual completing

application

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Benefits Requested (select all that apply)

Exemption from Sales Tax

Yes

Exemption from Mortgage Tax

Yes

Exemption from Real Property Tax

Yes

Tax Exempt Financing*

No

Applicant Business Description

Describe in detail company background, history, products and customers. Description is critical in determining eligibility. Also list all stockholders, members, or partners with % ownership greater than 20%.

Upstate is a dairy cooperative made up of approximately 260 dairy farms, primarily located in New York State. We are a food and beverage company that has been producing a wide variety of award winning, high-quality dairy products since 1971. These offerings include milk, cream, flavored milk, shelf stable ready-to-drink beverages, yogurt, dip, sour cream, cottage cheese, canned evaporated milk, and ice cream mix products marketed under the Upstate Farms, Bison, Intense Milk, Milk for Life, Spring Farms, Gold Cow and Valley Farms brands, in addition to numerous contract and retail customer labels.

3 %

1%

Estimated % of sales within Erie County Estimated % of sales outside Erie County but within New York State 33 % Estimated % of sales outside New York State but within the U.S. Estimated % of sales outside the U.S.

(*Percentage to equal 100%)

For your operations, company and proposed project what percentage of your total annual supplies, raw materials and vendor services are purchased from firms in Erie County?

Describe vendors within Erie County for major purchases

The majority of our Erie County purchases are with local dairy farms for milk used in processing

^{* (}typically for not-for-profits & small qualified manufacturers)

Section II: Eligibility Questionnaire - Project Description & Details

Project Location

Address of Proposed Project Facility

North America Drive

Town/City/Village of Project Site

West Seneca

School District of Project Site

West Seneca Central

Current Address (if different)

3300 North America Drive

Current Town/City/Village of Project Site (if different)

West Seneca

SBL Number(s) for proposed Project

135.10-3-2 / 135.01-2-1.1

What are the current real estate taxes on the proposed Project Site

\$1,223,281 including school tax, excluding sewer charges

If amount of current taxes is not available, provide assessed value for each.

Land

\$0

Building(s)

\$0

If available include a copy of current tax receipt.

Are Real Property Taxes current at project location?

Yes

If no please explain

*The ECIDA has an unpaid tax policy and you will be required to certify all taxes and PILOTS are current.

Does the Applicant or any related entity currently hold fee title or have an option/contract to purchase the Project site?

Yes

If No, indicate name of present owner of the Project Site

Does Applicant or related entity have an option/contract to purchase the Project site?

No

Describe the present use of the proposed Project site (vacant land, existing building, etc.)

The site is already owned, Existing building / Vacant Land

Provide narrative and purpose of the proposed project (new build, renovations) square footage of existing and new construction contemplated and/or equipment purchases. Identify specific uses occurring within the project. Describe any and all tenants and any/all end users: (This information is critical in determining project eligibility)

We plan on adding an approximately 165,000 square foot addition, with associated equipment, to our existing 222,851 square foot warehouse at 3300 North America Drive in West Seneca, NY utilizing adjacent vacant land currently owned by Upstate Niagara Cooperative. This will add significant manufacturing capacity as well as storage for finished goods, ingredients and packaging. The product manufactured will be distributed thought the United States, including New York and will utilize significant milk from local dairy farms. Initially the budget was prepared with rough estimates, as the project developed the actual anticipated cost of both building and equipment grew, as a result of increases in material cost as well as the fine tuning of original estimates; at the same time new cost arose, such as a new sewer line. As a result, we found it necessary to adjust the scope of the project. Initially we had planned on additional space for future growth, we reduce the footprint to just what is needed at this time; we decided not to construct a fully automated cooler, without the automation equipment, the cooler required less space; and through added efficiencies, were able to reduce the number of productions lines, while maintaining similar throughput, which required less space.

Municipality or Municipalities of current operations

West Seneca

Will the Proposed Project be located within a Municipality identified above?

Yes

Will the completion of the Project result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the state to another area of the state OR in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant located within the state?

No

If the Proposed Project is located in a different Municipality within New York State than that Municipality in which current operations are being undertaken, is it expected that any of the facilities in any other Municipality will be closed or be subject to reduced activity?

No

(If yes, you will need to complete the Intermunicipal Move Determination section of this application)

is the project reasonably necessary to prevent the project occupant from moving out of New York State?

No

If yes, please explain and identify out-of-state locations investigated, type of assistance offered and provide supporting documentation available

Have you contacted or been contacted by other Local, State and/or Federal Economic Development Agencies?

No

If yes, please indicate the Agency and nature of inquiry below

If the Project could be undertaken without Financial Assistance provided by the Agency, then provide a statement in the space provided below indicating why the Project should be undertaken by the Agency:

Although the project could be undertaken without the financial assistance of the agency, it will need to be cut back and reduce the financial impact to the region.

Describe the reasons why the Agency's financial assistance is necessary, and the effect the Project will have on the Applicant's business or operations. Focus on competitiveness issues, project shortfalls, etc... Your eligibility determination will be based in part on your answer (attach additional pages if necessary)

The agencies financing is necessary to maximize the utilization of the expansion to assure the most utilization of local labor and milk form local dairy farms as possible.

Please confirm by checking the box, below, if there is likelihood that the Project would not be undertaken but for the Financial Assistance provided by the Agency

Yes

If the Applicant is unable to obtain Financial Assistance for the Project, what will be the impact on the Applicant and Erie County?

If we are unable to obtain financial assistance for the project, we will cut back on the project, not creating as many local jobs and not utilizing as much milk from local dairy farms.

Will project include leasing any equipment?

No

If yes, please describe equipment and lease terms.

Site Characteristics

Is your project located near public transportation?

No

If yes describe if site is accessible by either metro or bus line (provide route number for bus lines)

Has your local municipality and/or its planning board made a determination regarding the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) for your project?

No

If YES indicate in the box below the date the SEQR determination was made. Also, please provide us with a copy of the approval resolution and the related Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) if applicable.

If NO indicate in the box below the date you anticipate receiving a SEQR determination for your project. Also, please insure that the ECIDA has been listed as an "involved agency" on the related EAF submitted to the appropriate municipality and/or planning department.

8/26/2024

Will the Project meet zoning/land use requirements at the proposed location?

Yes

Describe the present zoning/land use

M2 Industrial

Describe required zoning/land use, if different

If a change in zoning/land use is required, please provide details/status of any request for change of zoning/land use requirements

Is the proposed Project located on a site where the known or potential presence of contaminants is complicating the development/use of the property?

No

If yes, please explain

Has a Phase I Environmental Assessment been prepared, or will one be prepared with respect to the proposed Project Site?

Yes

If yes, please provide a copy.

Have any other studies, or assessments been undertaken with respect to the proposed Project Site that indicate the known or suspected presence of contamination that would complicate the site's development?

No

If yes, please provide copies of the study.

If you are purchasing new machinery and equipment, does it provide demonstrable energy efficiency benefits?

Yes

If yes, describe the efficiencies achieved

Equipment being purchased will be more efficient than the equipment currently in the plant, prior to the expansion.

You may also attach additional information about the machinery and equipment at the end of the application.

Does or will the company or project occupant perform research and development activities on new products/services at the project location?

Νo

If yes, include percentage of operating expenses attributed to R&D activities and provide details.

Will onsite child daycare facilities be available on the project site?

No

If yes, please describe.

Select Project Type for all end users at project site (you may check more than one)

The Erie County Industrial Development Agency (ECIDA)

For purposes of the following, the term "retail sales" means (i) sales by a registered vendor under Article 28 of the Tax Law of the State of New York (the "Tax Law") primarily engaged in the retail sale of tangible personal property (as defined in Section 1101(b)(4)(i) of the Tax Law), or (ii) sales of a service to customers who personally visit the Project.

Will customers personally visit the Project site for either of the following economic activities? If yes with respect to either economic activity indicated below, you will need to complete the Retail section of this application.

Retail Sales No Services No

Please check any and all end uses as identified below.

No Acquisition of Existing Facility No Assisted Living Yes Back Office

No Civic Facility (not for profit)

No Commercial

Yes Equipment Purchase

No Facility for the Aging

No Industrial

No Life Care Facility (CCRC)

No Market Rate Housing No Mixed Use No Multi-Tenant
No Retail No Senior Housing Yes Manufacturing

No Renewable Energy No Other

For proposed facility please include the square footage for each of the uses outlined below

If applicant is paying for FFE for tenants, include in cost breakdown.

| | | Cost | % of Total Cost |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Manufacturing/Processing | 144,333 square feet | \$ 55,786,000 | 59% |
| Warehouse | 11,291 square feet | \$ 30,765,000 | 33% |
| Research & Development | square feet | \$ 0 | 0% |
| Commercial | square feet | \$ 0 | 0% |
| Retail | square feet | \$ 0 | 0% |
| Office | 10,210 square feet | \$ 7,229,000 | . 8% |
| Specify Other | square feet | \$ 0 | 0% |

If you are undertaking new construction or renovations, are you seeking LEED certification from the US Green Building Council?

If you answered yes to question above, what level of LEED certification do you anticipate receiving? (Check applicable box) <BLANK>

Provide estimate of additional construction cost as a result of LEED certification you are seeking

Will project result in significant utility infrastructure cost or uses Yes

What is the estimated project timetable (provide dates)

Start date: acquisition of equipment or construction of facilities

7/1/2025

End date: Estimated completion date of project

3/15/2027

Project occupancy: estimated starting date of occupancy

10/1/2026

Capital Project Plan / Budget

Estimated costs in connection with Project

1.) Land and/or Building Acquisition

\$ 0 square feet acres

2.) New Building Construction

\$ 0 square feet

3.) New Building addition(s)

\$ 93,780,000 165,834 square feet

4.) Reconstruction/Renovation

\$ 0 square feet

5.) Manufacturing Equipment

\$ 161,220,000

6.) Infrastructure Work

\$0

7.) Non-Manufacturing Equipment: (furniture, fixtures, etc.)

\$0

8.) Soft Costs: (Legal, architect, engineering, etc.)

\$0

9.) Other Cost

\$0

Explain Other

Costs

Total Cost

\$ 255,000,000

Construction Cost Breakdown:

Total Cost of Construction \$ 93,780,000 (sum of 2, 3, 4 and 6 in Project Information, above)

Cost of materials \$ 46,500,000

% sourced in Erie County 10%

Sales and Use Tax:

Gross amount of costs for goods and services that are subject to State and local sales and use tax- said amount to benefit from the Agency's sales and use tax exemption benefit

\$ 70,000,000

Estimated State and local Sales and Use Tax Benefit (product of

8.75% multiplied by the figure, above):

\$ 6,125,000

** Note that the estimate provided above will be provided to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. The Applicant acknowledges that the transaction documents may include a covenant by the Applicant to undertake the total amount of investment as proposed within this Application, and that the estimate, above, represents the maximum amount of sales and use tax benefit that the Agency may authorize with respect to this Application. The Agency may utilize the estimate, above, as well as the proposed total Project Costs as contained within this Application, to determine the Financial Assistance that will be offered.

Project refinancing estimated amount, if applicable (for refinancing of existing debt only)

\$0

The Erie County Industrial Development Agency (ECIDA)

Have any of the above costs been paid or incurred as of the date

of this Application?

If Yes, describe particulars:

There has been money spent on engineering studies to evaluate the feasibility of the project & some tree removal on the site

Sources of Funds for Project Costs:

Equity (excluding equity that is attributed to grants/tax credits): \$

> **Bank Financing:** \$ 252,000,000

Tax Exempt Bond Issuance (if applicable): \$0

Taxable Bond Issuance (if applicable): \$0

ESD, other public sources)

Public Sources (Include sum total of all state and federal grants \$3,000,000

and tax credits):

Identify each state and federal grant/credit: (ie Historic Tax Credit, New Market Tax Credit, Brownfield, Cleanup Program,

ESD \$3,000,000

Total Sources of Funds for Project Costs:

\$255,000,000

Have you secured financing for the project?

No

Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption Benefit:

Amount of mortgage, if any that would be subject to mortgage recording tax:

Mortgage Amount (include sum total of construction/permanent/bridge financing).

252,000,000

Lender Name, if Known

Estimated Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption Benefit (product of

mortgage amount as indicated above multiplied by 3/4 of 1%):

\$1,890,000

Real Property Tax Benefit:

Identify and describe if the Project will utilize a real property tax exemption benefit other than the Agency's PILOT benefit (485-a, 485-b, other):

IDA PILOT Benefit: Agency staff will indicate the estimated amount of PILOT Benefit based on estimated Project Costs as contained herein and anticipated tax rates and assessed valuation, including the annual PILOT Benefit abatement amount for each year of the PILOT benefit and the sum total of PILOT Benefit abatement amount for the term of the PILOT as depicted in the PILOT worksheet in the additional document section.

Percentage of Project Costs financed from Public Sector sources: Agency staff will calculate the percentage of Project Costs financed from Public Sector sources based upon the Sources of Funds for Project Costs as depicted above. The percentage of Project Costs financed from public sector sources will be depicted in the PILOT worksheet in the additional document section.

Is project necessary to expand project employment?

Yes

Is project necessary to retain existing employment?

Yes

Will project include leasing any equipment?

No

If yes, please describe equipment and lease terms.

Employment Plan (Specific to the proposed project location)

The Labor Market Area consists of the following six counties: Erie, Niagara, Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Wyoming and Genessee.

By statute, Agency staff must project the number of FTE jobs that would be retained and created if the request for Financial Assistance is granted. Agency staff will project such jobs over the TWO Year time period following Project completion. Agency staff converts PT jobs into FTE jobs by dividing the number of PT jobs by two (2).

| - M | Current # of jobs at proposed project location or to be relocated at project location | If financial assistance is granted project the number of FT and PT jobs to be retained | If financial assistance is granted – project the number of FT and PT jobs to be created upon 24 months (2 years) after Project completion | Estimate number of residents of the Labor Market Area in which the project is located that will fill the FT and PT jobs to be created upon 24 months (2 years) after project completion ** |
|-----------|---|---|--|--|
| Full time | 240 | 240 | 130 | 130 |
| Part time | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 240 | 240 | 130 | |

Salary and Fringe Benefits for Jobs to be Retained and Created

| | | · · | | | | |
|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|---|
| Job Categories | # of <u>Full Time</u> Employees retained and created | Average Salary for Full Time | Average Fringe Benefits for Full Time | # of <u>Part Time</u> Employees retained and created | Average Salary for Part Time | Average Fringe Benefits for Part Time |
| Management | 60 | \$ 89,300 | \$ 22,000 | 0 | \$0 | \$ 0 |
| Professional | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | \$ 0 |
| Administrative | 6 | \$ 51,520 | \$ 29,250 | 0 | \$0 | \$ 0 |
| Production | 304 | \$ 71,400 | \$ 22,200 | 0 | \$0 | \$ 0 |
| Independent Contractor | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | \$ 0 |
| Other | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0 | \$0 | \$ 0 |
| Total | 370 | | | 0 | | |
| | | | | | | |

^{**} Note that the Agency may utilize the foregoing employment projections, among other items, to determine the financial assistance that will be offered by the Agency to the Applicant. The Applicant acknowledges that the transaction documents may include a covenant by the Applicant to retain the number of jobs and create the number of jobs with respect to the Project as set forth in this Application.

Employment at other locations in Erie County: (provide address and number of employees at each location):

| Address | 368 Pleasant View Dr. Lancaster, NY | 1730 Dale Rd. Cheektowaga, NY | |
|-----------|--|-------------------------------|---|
| Full time | 178 | 182 | 0 |
| Part time | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 178 | 182 | 0 |

Payroll Information

Annual Payroll at Proposed Project Site upon completion

26,500,000

Estimated average annual salary of jobs to be retained (Full Time)

71,000

Estimated average annual salary of jobs to be retained (Part Time)

0

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Yes By checking this box, I certify that the above information concerning the current number of jobs at the proposed project location or to be relocated to the proposed project location is true and correct.

Estimated average annual salary of jobs to be created (Full Time)

70,000

Estimated average annual salary of jobs to be created (Part Time)

0

Estimated salary range of jobs to be created

From (Full Time) 35,000 To (Full Time) 120,000

From (Part Time) 0 To (Part Time) 0

Section III: Environmental Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the following questionnaire as completely as possible. If you need additional space to fully answer any question, please attach additional page(s).

General Background Information

Address of Premises

3300 North America Drive, West Seneca, NY and adjacent property

Name and Address of Owner of Premises

Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc 368 Pleasant View Drive Lancaster, NY 14086

Describe the general features of the Premises (include terrain, location of wetlands, coastlines, rivers, streams, lakes, etc.)

Describe the Premises (including the age and date of construction of any improvements) and each of the operations or processes carried out on or intended to be carried on at the Premises

The current construction was completed in 2005. The facility produces and distributes a variety of dairy products, including yogurt, cottage cheese, sour cream and dips

Describe all known former uses of the Premises

This was a new build in 2005 and has been occupied by Upstate Niagara Cooperative since then.

Does any person, firm or corporation other than the owner occupy the Premises or any part of it?

No

If yes, please identify them and describe their use of the property

Have there been any spills, releases or unpermitted discharges of petroleum, hazardous substances, chemicals or hazardous wastes at or near the Premises?

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No

If yes, describe and attach any incident reports and the results of any investigations

Has the Premises or any part of it ever been the subject of any enforcement action by any federal, state or local government entity, or does the preparer of this questionnaire have knowledge of: a) any current federal, state or local enforcement actions; b) any areas of non-compliance with any federal, state or local laws, ordinances, rules or regulations associated with operations over the past 12 months?

No

If yes, please state the results of the enforcement action (consent order, penalties, no action, etc.) and describe the circumstances

Has there been any filing of a notice of citizen suit, or a civil complaint or other administrative or criminal procedure involving the Premises?

No

if yes, describe in full detail

Solid And Hazardous Wastes And Hazardous Substances

Does any activity conducted or contemplated to be conducted at the premises generate, treat or dispose of any petroleum, petroleum-related products, solid and hazardous wastes or hazardous substances?

No

If yes, provide the Premises' applicable EPA (or State) identification number

Have any federal, state or local permits been issued to the Premises for the use, generation and/or storage of solid and hazardous wastes?

No

If yes, please provide copies of the permits.

Identify the transporter of any hazardous and/or solid wastes to or from the Premises

Identify the solid and hazardous waste disposal or treatment facilities which have received wastes from the Premises for the past two (2) years

Does or is it contemplated that there will occur at the Premises any accumulation or storage of any hazardous wastes on-site for disposal for longer than 90 days?

No

If yes, please identify the substance, the quantity and describe how it is stored

Discharge Into Waterbodies

Briefly describe any current or contemplated industrial process discharges (including the approximate volume, source, type and number of discharge points). Please provide copies of all permits for such discharges

Discharge is into the sanitary sewer

Identify all sources of discharges of water, including discharges of waste water, process water, contact or noncontact cooling water, and stormwater. Attach all permits relating to the same. Also identify any septic tanks on site

Storm water is first released into a new retention pond and then proceeds to the existing wetland at the northwest portion of the site.

Is any waste discharged into or near surface water or groundwaters?

No

If yes, please describe in detail the discharge including not only the receiving water's classification, but a description of the type and quantity of the waste

Air Pollution

Are there or is it contemplated that there will be any air emission sources that emit contaminants from the Premises?

No

If yes, describe each such source, including whether it is a stationary combustion installation, process source, exhaust or ventilation system, incinerator or other source

Are any of the air emission sources permitted?

No

If yes, attach a copy of each permit.

Storage Tanks

List and describe all above and under ground storage tanks at the Premises used to store petroleum or gasoline products, or other chemicals or wastes, including the contents and capacity of each tank. Please also provide copies of any registrations/permits for the tanks

Various above ground tanks utilized to store chemicals for sanitation of the lines used in the production process.

Have there been any leaks, spills, releases or other discharges (including loss of inventory) associated with any of these tanks?

No

If yes, please provide all details regarding the event, including the response taken, all analytical results or reports developed through investigation (whether internal or external), and the agencies which were involved

Polychlorinated Biphenyls ("PCB" or "PCBs") And Asbestos

Provide any records in your possession or known to you to exist concerning any on-site PCBs or PCB equipment, whether used or stored, and whether produced as a byproduct of the manufacturing process or otherwise.

Have there been any PCB spills, discharges or other accidents at the Premises?

No

If yes, relate all the circumstances

Do the Premises have any asbestos containing materials?

No

If yes, please identify the materials

Section IV: Facility Type - Single or Multi Tenant

Is this a Single Use Facility or a Multi-Tenant Facility?

Single Use Facility

For Single Use Facility

Occupant Name Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc.

Address 368 Pleasant View Drive, Lancaster, NY

Contact Person Chuck Wilson

Phone (716) 892-3156

Fax

E-Mail cwilson@uncdairy.com

Federal ID# 16-0845625

SIC/NAICS Code 311511

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Section VI: Retail Determination

To ensure compliance with Section 862 of the New York General Municipal Law, the Agency requires additional information if the proposed Project is one where customers personally visit the Project site to undertake either a retail sale transaction or to purchase services. Please answer the following:

Will any portion of the project (including that portion of the costs to be financed from equity or other sources) consist of facilities or property that are or will be primarily used in making sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit the project site?

If yes, complete the Retail Questionnaire Supplement below. If no, proceed to the next section.

Section VII: Adaptive Reuse Projects

Adaptive Reuse is the process of adapting old structures or sites for new purposes.

Are you applying for tax incentives under the Adaptive Reuse Program?

No

Section VIII: Inter-Municipal Move Determination

The Agency is required by state law to make a determination that, if completion of a Project benefiting from Agency Financial Assistance results in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the state to another area of the state or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant located within the state, Agency financial Assistance

| competitive position in its respective industry. | bly necessary to preserve the project occupa |
|--|---|
| Current Address | |
| City/Town | |
| State | |
| Zip Code | |
| Will the project result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the Pro another area of the state? | ject occupant from one area of the state to |
| No | |
| Will the project result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Pro No | pject occupant located within the state? |
| If Yes to either question, explain how, notwithstanding the aforementioned closing or a Assistance is required to prevent the Project from relocating out of the State, or is reason occupant's competitive position in its respective industry: | activity reduction, the Agency's Financial onably necessary to preserve the Project |
| Does this project involve relocation or consolidation of a project occupant from another | r municipality? |
| Within New York State | No |
| Within Erie County | No |
| If Yes to either question, please, explain | |
| Will the project result in a relocation of an existing business operation from the City of B No | Buffalo? |
| If yes, please explain the factors which require the project occupant to relocate out of the not large enough, or owner will not renew leases etc.) | ne City of Buffalo (For example, present site |
| What are some of the key requirements the project occupant is looking for in a new site ceilings, truck loading docs etc.) | ? (For example, minimum sq. ft., 12 foot |
| If the project occupant is currently located in Erie County and will be moving to a different project occupant attempted to find a suitable location within the municipality in which it <blank></blank> | nt municipality within Erie County, has the tis currently located? |

What factors have lead the project occupant to consider remaining or locating in Erie County?

If the current facility is to be abandoned, what is going to happen to the current facility that project occupant is located in?

Please provide a list of properties considered, and the reason they were not adequate. (Some examples include: site not large enough, layout was not appropriate, did not have adequate utility service, etc.) Please include full address for locations.

Section IX: Senior Housing

IDA tax incentives may be granted to projects under the Agency's Senior Citizen Rental Housing policy when the project consists of a multifamily housing structure where at least 90% of the units are (or are intended to be) rented to and occupied by a person who is 60 years of age or older.

Are you applying for tax incentives under the Senior Rental Housing policy?

No

Section X: Tax Exempt Bonds

In order to receive the benefits of a tax-exempt interest rate bond, private borrowers and their projects must be eligible under one of the federally recognized private active bond categories (Fed Internal Rev Code IRC sections 142-144, and 1394).

Are you applying for tax exempt bonds / refinancing of bonds related to a residential rental facility project?

No

Erie County Industrial Development Agency

Financial Statements

As of August 31, 2025

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("ECIDA")

Balance Sheet

August 31, 2025

| ASSETS: | A | ugust 2025 | | July 2025 | December 202 | | |
|---|--------|--|----|--|--------------|---|--|
| Cash and Equivalents * | \$ | 6,632,362 | \$ | 6,764,449 | \$ | 6.754.005 | |
| Restricted Cash & Investments * | φ | 19,097,581 | Φ | 19.080.073 | Ф | 6,751,035 | |
| Due from Affiliates | | 2,357,737 | | 2,138,248 | | 18,075,648 | |
| Due from Buffalo Urban Development Corp. | | 72.420 | | 62,066 | | 4,571,775 | |
| Other Receivables | | 203,267 | | 167,465 | | 131,503 | |
| Total Current Assets | | 28,363,367 | | 28,212,300 | - | 173,195 | |
| | | 20,303,307 | | 20,212,300 | - | 29,703,154 | |
| Grants Receivable | | 4,853,797 | | 4,940,750 | | 5,214,764 | |
| Lease Receivable | | 459,487 | | 478.485 | | 609,283 | |
| Venture Capital Investments, net of reserves | | 406,247 | | 406,247 | | 406,247 | |
| Capital Assets | | 1,324,777 | | 1,341,984 | | 1,450,212 | |
| Total Long-Term Assets | | 7,044,308 | | 7,167,466 | | 7,680,506 | |
| | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ | 35,407,675 | \$ | 35,379,766 | \$ | 37,383,661 | |
| LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS Accounts Payable & Accrued Exp. Lease Payable Deferred Revenues Funds Held on Behalf of Others Total Liabilities Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Leases | \$ | 233,950 290,588 4,235,079 10,131,724 14,891,340 459,487 | \$ | 168,750 302,602 4,313,635 9,825,102 14,610,090 | \$ | 577,336 385,321 4,498,758 11,287,296 16,748,711 | |
| Net Assets | | 20,056,849 | | 478,485 20,291,191 | | 609,283 | |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS | \$ | 35,407,675 | \$ | 35,379,766 | \$ | 37,383,661 | |

^{*} Cash and restricted cash is invested in interest bearing accounts at M&T Bank and obligations of the United States of America at Wilmington Trust. The maximum FDIC insured amount = \$250,000 with the remainder of the cash balance collateralized with government obligations by the financial institution. Collateral is not required for U.S. government obligations.

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("ECIDA")

Income Statement

Month of August 2025

| th. | Actual vs. Budget | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| | | Actual | | Budget | | Variance |
| REVENUES: | | | | | | |
| Administrative Fees | \$ | 1,000 | \$ | 150,000 | \$ | (149,000) |
| Management Fees - Affiliates and Others | | 49,600 | | 48,667 | | 933 |
| Rental Income | | 19,069 | | 19,532 | | (463) |
| Other Income | | 3,488 | | 250 | | 3,238 |
| Total Revenues | | 73,156 | | 218,448 | | (145,292) |
| EXPENSES: | | | | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | \$ | 183,010 | \$ | 193,287 | \$ | (10,278) |
| General Office Expenses | | 19,819 | | 22,583 | | (2,764) |
| Building Operating Costs | | 26,175 | | 6,707 | | 19,468 |
| Professional Services | | 1,000 | | 5,000 | | (4,000) |
| Public Hearings & Marketing | | 59 | | 10,000 | | (9,941) |
| Travel, Mileage & Meeting Expenses | | 797 | | 2,958 | | (2,161) |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 19,607 | | 19,607 | | (=, , |
| Other Expenses | | 1,627 | | 1,250 | | 377 |
| Total Expenses | | 252,095 | | 261,394 | _ | (9,299) |
| | | | | 201,001 | | (0,200) |
| SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTS: Revenues | • | 70.057 | ф | 400 400 | • | (050.004) |
| Expenses | \$ | 79,357 | \$ | 433,190 | \$ | (353,834) |
| Expenses | - | (78,557) | | (407,024) | | 328,467 |
| | | 800 | _ | 26,167 | | (25,367) |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS) BEFORE OTHER STRATEGIC | | | | | | |
| INVESTMENTS: | | (178,139) | | (16,779) | | (161,360) |
| OTHER STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS AND INITIATIVES: | | | | | | |
| Renaissance Commerce Park Grant | \$ | _ | \$ | (8,333) | \$ | 8,333 |
| Angola Ag Park Grant | | _ | | (2,083) | • | 2,083 |
| Renaissance Commerce Park Grant Reimb | | _ | | - | | _ |
| Buffalo Urban Development Corporation | | (100,000) | | * | | (100,000) |
| Gain/(Loss) on Venture Investments | | | | - | | - |
| Other Strategic Initiatives | | - | | (75,000) | | 75,000 |
| | | (100,000) | | (85,417) | | (14,583) |
| NET OPERATING INCOME/(LOSS): | _ | (278,139) | | (102,195) | | (175,943) |
| (, | | (270,100) | | (102,100) | | (170,040) |
| NON-OPERATING REVENUE: | | | | | | |
| Interest Income | \$ | 45,057 | \$ | 33,360 | \$ | 11,697 |
| Interest Expense | | (1,261) | | (10,675) | | 9,414 |
| | | 43,796 | | 22,685 | | 21,111 |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS): | \$ | (224 242) | ¢ | (70 E40) | • | |
| masamentessoj. | Þ | (234,342) | \$ | (79,510) | \$ | (154,832) |

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("ECIDA")

Income Statement

Year to Date: August 31, 2025

| | Actual vs. Budget | | | | | | Actual vs. Prior Year | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------|----|-------------|----|-------------|-----------------------|-----------|----|------------|----|-----------------|
| | | Actual | | Budget | | Variance | | Actual | F | Prior Year | | Variance |
| REVENUES: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Administrative Fees | \$ | 1,410,321 | \$ | 1,200,000 | \$ | 210,321 | \$ | 1,410,321 | \$ | 929,244 | \$ | 481,077 |
| Affiliate Management Fees | • | 383,050 | • | 390,583 | • | (7,533) | • | 383,050 | Ψ. | 313,517 | | 69,533 |
| Rental Income | | 234,854 | | 229,603 | | 5,252 | | 234,854 | | 255,496 | | (20,642) |
| Other Income | | 25,315 | | 20,500 | | 4,815 | | 25,315 | | 20,475 | | 4,840 |
| Total Revenues | | 2,053,541 | | 1,840,686 | | 212,855 | _ | 2,053,541 | | 1,518,732 | | 534,809 |
| EXPENSES: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | | 1,572,174 | | 1,612,830 | | (40,656) | | 1,572,174 | | 1,494,091 | | 78,084 |
| General Office Expenses | | 187,239 | | 180,667 | | 6,572 | | 187,239 | | 175,770 | | 11,469 |
| Building Operating Costs | | 55,955 | | 63,992 | | (8,037) | | 55,955 | | 32,748 | | 23,207 |
| Professional Services | | 55,097 | | 71,800 | | (16,703) | | 55.097 | | 50,612 | | 4,485 |
| Public Hearings & Marketing | | 56,742 | | 80,000 | | (23,258) | | 56,742 | | 88,213 | | (31,471) |
| Travel, Mileage & Meeting Expenses | | 22,985 | | 23,667 | | (682) | | 22,985 | | 27,299 | | (4,314) |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 156,860 | | 156,860 | | (502) | | 156,860 | | 176,860 | | (20,000) |
| Other Expenses | | 10,312 | | 11,250 | | (938) | | 10,312 | | 8,456 | | 1,856 |
| Total Expenses | | 2,117,363 | | 2,201,065 | | (83,702) | - | 2,117,363 | | 2,054,048 | | 63,316 |
| OREGIAL PROJECT ORANGO | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTS: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues | | 355,242 | | 3,465,524 | | (3,110,282) | | 355,242 | | 428,531 | | (73, 289) |
| Expenses | | (320,115) | | (3,256,190) | | 2,936,075 | _ | (320,115) | | (444,856) | | 124,740 |
| | | 35,127 | - | 209,333 | | (174,207) | - | 35,127 | _ | (16,325) | | 51,452 |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS) BEFORE OTHER STRATEGIC | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| INVESTMENTS: | \$ | (28,696) | \$ | (151,046) | \$ | 122,350 | _\$_ | (28,696) | \$ | (551,641) | \$ | 522,945 |
| OTHER STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS AND INITIATIVE | s: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Renaissance Commerce Park Grant | \$ | (94,684) | \$ | (100,000) | \$ | 5,316 | \$ | (94,684) | \$ | (98,064) | \$ | 3,380 |
| Angola Ag Park Grant | | (5,483) | | (25,000) | | 19,517 | • | (5,483) | • | (12,545) | * | 7,062 |
| Buffalo Urban Development Corporation | | (100,000) | | - | | (100,000) | | (100,000) | | (100,000) | | ., |
| Other Strategic Initiatives | | (75,000) | | (75.000) | | | | (75,000) | | (115,525) | | 40.525 |
| | | (275,167) | | (200,000) | | (75,167) | | (275,167) | | (326,134) | | 50,967 |
| NET OPERATING INCOME/(LOSS): | | (303,863) | _ | (351,046) | _ | 47,182 | _ | (303,863) | | (877,776) | | 573,912 |
| • • | | | | 1001,010 | | 11,102 | - | (000,000) | _ | (071,710) | | 373,312 |
| NON-OPERATING REVENUE: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest Income | | 346.516 | | 266.879 | | 79,637 | | 346,516 | \$ | 326.897 | | 40.040 |
| Interest Expense | | (11,471) | | (10,675) | | (797) | | (11,471) | Φ | (16,082) | | 19,618 4,611 |
| | | 335,045 | | 256,204 | | 78,840 | _ | 335,045 | | 310,816 | | 24,229 |
| NET INCOME (I ODD) | | | | | | | | | | | | 24,229 |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS): | \$ | 31,182 | \$ | (94,841) | \$ | 126,023 | \$ | 31,182 | \$ | (566,960) | \$ | 598,142 |

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (ECIDA) BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORP (RDC) BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP (ILDC)

2026 Budget Process

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Description</u> | |
|--------------------------|---|----------|
| July-August | Review of draft 2026 budgets by ECIDA management.(a) Prioritize any proposed budget requests for initiatives.(b) Formal budget requests compiled. | ✓ |
| September 3 | Finance & Audit Committee meeting – initial review and discussion of proposed budgets. | √ |
| September 24 | Review of 2026 proposed budgets at Board meetings. | |
| October 1 10:00 a.m. | Board Q&A budget session #1 via Zoom (voluntary). | |
| October 7 10:00 a.m. | Board Q&A budget session #2 in person (voluntary). | |
| October 16 12:00 p.m. | Adjustments to budgets based on Board feedback (if necessary). Finance & Audit Committee meeting to recommend final budgets. | |
| October 22 | Board meetings – action to approve final 2026 budgets. | |
| November 1 | Deadline for final approved budgets to be submitted to the ABO. | |

Erie County Industrial Development Agency Proposed 2026 Budget

A. Overview of Changes in 2026 Budget

Presented herein is the projected operating budget for the Erie County Industrial Development Agency's ("ECIDA") year ending December 31, 2026 and a three-year forecast for 2027–2029.

ECIDA is a not-for-profit, public benefit corporation that provides tax incentives, financing programs and economic development services in Buffalo and Erie County. In accomplishing its mission, ECIDA does not receive any operational funding from Federal, State, County or local sources. Instead, the key source of revenue for the ECIDA is the administrative fees charged to those companies that utilize its various products and services. The income that ECIDA generates is utilized to provide salaries to its professional staff for managing various economic development programs, as well as payments for professional fees, general office expenses, public notices/marketing, building costs and other miscellaneous expenses.

For the year ending December 31, 2026, the Agency is projecting net income from operations of \$117,207. Depreciation and amortization, noncash expenses, are estimated at \$240,290 leading to a budgeted operating loss of \$123,083. There is also net revenue of \$500,000 budgeted from external projects, all of which is handled with existing UDAG funds, rather than operating cash. This leads to overall budgeted net income of \$376,917.

The following significant risk factors may impact the 2026 results:

- 1. A significant portion of ECIDA's administrative fee income is derived from a few large tax incentives and/or tax-exempt bond projects. The Agency does not collect a fee until the project (usually construction) is started, since many factors affect project timing. Depending on the timing of these projects, the Agency's fee income can fluctuate significantly from year to year.
- Changes in the overall national and/or regional economy could result in a decrease in local investment projects that are assisted by the Agency, resulting in a corresponding decrease in administrative fee income.

The following information details the key changes in the 2026 budget compared to the 2025 <u>projected</u> revenues and expenses:

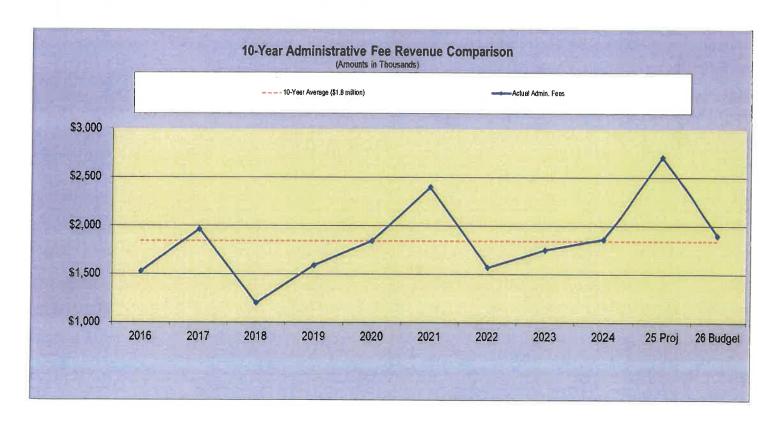
A. Overview of Changes in 2026 Budget (continued)

Revenues:

Administrative Fees (2026 Budget - \$1.9 million):

Administrative fees primarily consist of fees earned by the ECIDA through the provision of tax abatements. During 2025, administrative fees included projects such as Big Heart Pet Brands in Buffalo and Deckorators, Inc. in Lackawanna. Additionally, the Agency expects to close on two tax-exempt bond issuances in 2025, which will result in fees collected of over \$1 million. Since some fees are recognized over multiple years (in accordance with the terms of the related fee agreements), the Agency expects to recognize approximately \$1.4 million of fees in 2026 related to prior year project approvals. The budgeted figure of \$1.9 million was derived using the 2016-2025 10-year average.

The following chart summarizes the actual administrative fee revenue over the past 10 years compared to the average administrative fee for the 10-year period from 2016-2025:



A. Overview of Changes in 2026 Budget (continued)

Affiliate Management Fees (increasing 4.3% from \$561,500 to \$585,500):

Affiliate Management Fees represent salary, benefit, and facilities costs charged to ECIDA's affiliated companies (RDC & ILDC) for office space and services that ECIDA employees provide to these organizations, since they have no employees of their own. Affiliate management fees are expected to increase in 2026 due to increases in hours charged, employee salaries, and benefit costs.

Management Fees – BUDC (increasing 3.1% from \$129,000 to \$133,000):

Management Fees – BUDC are salaries and benefit costs charged to Buffalo Urban Development Corporation ("BUDC") and its affiliates for services that ECIDA employees provide. ECIDA provides financial reporting, facilities management, and administrative services to BUDC as part of a shared services agreement. Management fees are expected to increase slightly in 2026 due to increases in employee salaries and benefit costs.

Rental Income (increasing 3.7% from \$316,100 to \$328,000):

Rental Income represents rent received by ECIDA from BUDC for office space, two facilities owned by ECIDA and other smaller agreements. Rent for leased space at 143 Genesee Street is recognized as a combination of rent revenue and interest income related to the lease, with the lease agreement in place through July 2027. The budgeted increase is due to an increase in the amount of rent for 143 Genesee Street considered rent revenue rather than interest income, in accordance with GASB 87.

Expenses:

Salaries & Benefits (increasing 11.2% from \$2.32 million to \$2.58 million):

The increase in the 2026 budgeted salaries and benefits compared to the projected 2025 figures is due to several factors. An additional business development employee is budgeted for in 2026. Salary increases and a potential performance incentive pool calculated at 4% of total salaries are included in the budget. Compensation increases are based on an independent compensation study of ECIDA employees, comparing Agency employee salaries with other individuals in the local labor market who have similar titles and responsibilities. These adjustments, if any, will also be reviewed and approved by the ECIDA Board Compensation Committee for Executive Management and by the CEO for other staff. Significant annual rate increases for health care also contribute to higher employee benefit costs. Professional development and training costs are also included in this category. As an organization of specialized professionals, salaries and benefits account for 80% of 2026 budgeted operating expenses.

General Office Expenses (increasing 14.9% from \$123,300 to \$141,600):

The increase in 2026 budgeted general office expenses compared to the projected 2025 figures is due mainly to increases in budgeted telephone and internet costs, as well as membership dues and subscriptions. Other expenses included on this line are information technology expenses, copier expenses, office supplies, and postage.

A. Overview of Changes in 2026 Budget (continued)

Building Operating Costs (increasing 10.9% from \$72,500 to \$80,500):

Building operating costs include costs related to ECIDA's office at 95 Perry Street (rent, utilities, parking) and the ECIDA-owned building at 143 Genesee Street (property taxes, maintenance, etc.). Costs associated with ECIDA's office lease are recognized as a liability and intangible right-to-use asset in accordance with GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. As a result, cash outflows differ from expense recorded. ECIDA's office lease requires ECIDA to pay its proportionate percentage of property taxes and operating costs of the building, budgeted at \$26,000 in 2026.

Professional Services (increasing 149% from \$76,700 to \$190,800):

Professional Services consist of the following:

| | 2026 | 2025 | 2025 |
|-------------|-----------|----------|------------|
| | Budget | Budget | Projection |
| Legal | \$42,500 | \$45,000 | \$30,800 |
| Consultants | \$115,000 | \$15,000 | \$14,100 |
| Auditing | \$33,300 | \$29,800 | \$31,800 |
| Total | \$90,800 | \$89,800 | \$71,400 |

In 2026, legal expenses are budgeted at \$42,500, slightly below the 2025 budget. Consultant expenses are budgeted at \$115,000, which includes \$100,000 budgeted for a CEDS study performed every five years. Audit costs are in accordance with current proposals.

B. External Special Projects

ECIDA's 2026 budget includes \$175,000 for external projects that are consistent with the restrictions on the UDAG and/or General Funds as follows:

| Project | 2026 Budget | 2025 Budget | 2025 ojection |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| External Special Projects | \$ 175,000 | \$ 175,000 | \$ 175,000 |
| Renaissance Commerce Park Grant | _ | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Angola Ag Park Grant | - | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Total | \$ 175,000 | \$ 300,000 | \$ 300,000 |

External Special Project allocations of \$175,000 include organizations that have received funding in the past, such as Downtown Initiatives spearheaded by BUDC (\$100,000) and the Agency's annual membership expenditure with Invest Buffalo Niagara (\$75,000). These items will not require specific Board action to be expended.

The Buffalo & Erie County Industrial Land Development Corporation ("ILDC") 2026 budget includes revenues sufficient to cover carrying costs related to Renaissance Commerce Park and the Angola Agribusiness Park, therefore the ECIDA budget does not contemplate granting funds for such costs.

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("ECIDA") Proposed Budget for 2026

| | Proposed Budget 2026 | Approved Budget 2025 | Projected 2025 | Actual 2024 |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| REVENUES: | 1 | 1 | | |
| Administrative Fees | \$ 1,900,000 | \$ 1,800,000 | \$ 2,784,000 | \$ 1,862,096 |
| Affiliate Management Fees | 585,500 | | φ 2,704,000 561,500 | 323,192 |
| Management Fees - BUDC | 133,000 | | 129,000 | 123,399 |
| Rental Income | 327,811 | 307,730 | 316,110 | 330,275 |
| Other Income | 36,000 | | 42,471 | 36,915 |
| Interest Income - Cash & Investments | 450,000 | | 492,566 | 462,521 |
| Interest Income - Leases | 13,726 | | 25,318 | 36,347 |
| Total Revenues | 3,446,037 | 3,128,548 | 4,350,965 | 3,174,745 |
| Total Neverlues | 3,440,037 | 3,120,340 | 4,330,303 | 3,174,743 |
| EXPENSES: | 1 | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | 2,585,000 | 2,385,980 | 2,324,873 | 2,229,704 |
| General Office Expenses | 141,600 | 151,000 | 123,291 | 153,183 |
| Insurance Expense | 150,000 | 120,000 | 143,280 | 125,065 |
| Building Operating Costs | 80,500 | 112,000 | 72,566 | 58,488 |
| Professional Services | 190,800 | 89,800 | 72,308 76,708 | 66,543 |
| Marketing, Promotion & Public Hearings | 105,000 | 105,000 | 97,8 5 0 | |
| Travel, Mileage & Meeting Expenses | 35,500 | 35,500 | 31,008 | 115,500 |
| Website Compliance & Design | 15,000 | 15,000 | | 30,382 |
| Other Expenses | 25,431 | 16,750 | 15,600 | 9,950 36,221 |
| Total Expenses | 3,328,831 | 3,031,029 | 30,855 | |
| Total Expenses | 3,320,031 | 3,031,029 | 2,916,032 | 2,825,035 |
| GRANT INCOME: | | | | |
| Revenues | 4,493,869 | E 100 200 | 250.040 | 055.050 |
| Expenses | (4,493,869) | 5,198,286 (5,198,286) | 356,042 (321,683) | 855,858 |
| Expenses | (4,493,609) | (5,196,266) | | (876,035) |
| | | | 34,359 | (20,177) |
| NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE DEPRECIATION, EXTERNAL | | | | |
| SPECIAL PROJECTS AND OTHER RESERVES: | 117,207 | 97,519 | 1,469,292 | 329,533 |
| SI ECIAL PROJECTO AND OTHER RESERVES. | 117,201 | 91,019 | 1,405,252 | 329,333 |
| Depreciation and amortization | (240,290) | (235,290) | (235,290) | (240,534) |
| Doprodutor and amortization | (270,230) | (200,200) | (233,290) | (240,004) |
| NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE EXTERNAL SPECIAL | | | | |
| PROJECTS AND OTHER RESERVES: | (123,083) | (137,771) | 1,234,003 | 88,999 |
| | (120,000) | (107,771) | 1,204,000 | 00,000 |
| | 1 | | | |
| EXTERNAL SPECIAL PROJECTS: | | | | |
| Renaissance Commerce Park grant | | 100,000 | 100,000 | 116,544 |
| Angola Ag Park grant | | 25,000 | 25,000 | 19,675 |
| ILDC Land Sale Proceeds (reimbursement) | (575,000) | | 20,000 | (274,450) |
| Buffalo Downtown Initatives (BUDC) | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Annual Membership (IBN) | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| Gain/(Loss) on Venture Investments | 75,000 | 75,000 | 10,000 | |
| Other Strategic Initiatives | _ | _ | - | 100,639 65,525 |
| Total Special Projects | (400,000) | 300,000 | 300,000 | 202,933 |
| Total Opedial Flojedia | (400,000) | 300,000 | 300,000 | 202,933 |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS): | \$ 276,917 | \$ (437,771) | \$ 934,003 | \$ (113,934) |
| | | | | |

ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("ECIDA") Proposed Budget for 2026 Presented by Fund

| | | Proposed Budget 2026 | Ge | eneral Fund | U | DAG Fund |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|----|-----------|
| REVENUES: | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| Administrative Fees | l _s | 1,900,000 | \$ | 1,900,000 | \$ | |
| Affiliate Management Fees | ١٣ | 585,500 | φ | | Φ | - |
| Management Fees - BUDC | | 133,000 | | 585,500 | | - |
| Rental Income | | • | 1 | 133,000 | | - |
| Other Income | 1 | 327,811 | 1 | 327,811 | | - |
| Interest Income | 1 | 36,000 | ı | 36,000 | | - |
| | 1 | 450,000 | ı | 200,000 | | 250,000 |
| Interest Expense | 1 | 13,726 | ı | 13,726 | | - |
| UDAG Venture Investment Reflow | _ | | | - | | |
| Total Revenues | _ | 3,446,037 | | 3,196,037 | | 250,000 |
| EVERNOEO. | 1 | | l | | | |
| EXPENSES: | 1 | | l | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | 1 | 2,585,000 | | 2,585,000 | | - |
| General Office Expenses | ı | 141,600 | 1 | 141,600 | | - |
| Insurance Expense | ı | 150,000 | | 150,000 | | - |
| Building Operating Costs | 1 | 80,500 | l | 80,500 | | - |
| Professional Services | 1 | 190,800 | | 190,800 | | - |
| Marketing, Promotion & Public Hearings | ı | 105,000 | | 105,000 | | - |
| Travel, Mileage & Meeting Expenses | 1 | 35,500 | | 35,500 | | - |
| Website Compliance & Design | 1 | 15,000 | | 15,000 | | - |
| Other Expenses | | 25,431 | | 25,431 | | - |
| Total Expenses | | 3,328,831 | | 3,328,831 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| GRANT INCOME: | | | | | | |
| Revenues | 1 | 4,493,869 | | 4,493,869 | | - |
| Expenses | _ | (4,493,869) | | (4,493,869) | | - |
| | Ь_ | - | | - | | - |
| NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE DEPRECIATION, EXTERNAL | ⊢ | | | | | |
| SPECIAL PROJECTS AND OTHER RESERVES: | ļ | 117,207 | | (132,793) | | 250,000 |
| o. Long i Nobelia Man official Meditation. | \vdash | 117,207 | | (102,193) | | 250,000 |
| Depreciation and amortization | l | (240,290) | | (240,290) | | _ |
| | | | | (,,,,,,, | | |
| NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE EXTERNAL SPECIAL | | | | | | |
| PROJECTS AND OTHER RESERVES: | | (123,083) | l, | (373,083) | | 250,000 |
| | | | | | | *** |
| EXTERNAL SPECIAL PROJECTS: | | | | | | |
| Renaissance Commerce Park grant | 1 | - | | - | | - |
| Angola Ag Park grant | | - | | - | | - |
| ILDC Land Sale Proceeds (reimbursement) | | (575,000) | | - | | (575,000) |
| Buffalo Downtown Initatives (BUDC) | | 100,000 | | - | | 100,000 |
| Annual Membership (IBN) | | 75,000 | | - | | 75,000 |
| Gain/(Loss) on Venture Investments | | - 1 | | - | | - |
| Other Strategic Initiatives | | - 1 | | _ | | - |
| Total Special Projects | | (400,000) | | - | | (400,000) |
| | | | | | | |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS): | \$ | 276,917 | \$ | (373,083) | \$ | 650,000 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

| August 31, 2025 Cash & Investment Balances | Unrestricted \$ | 6,632,362 | \$ - |
|--|--------------------|------------|-----------------|
| | Restricted_ | 10,388,383 | 8,709,198 |
| Total Cast | ት ዷ Investments \$ | 17,020,745 | \$ 8,709,198 |

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ERIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("ECIDA") Proposed 2026 Budget and Three Year Forecast 2027-2029

| | Proposed Budget 2026 | Forecast 2027 | Forecast 2028 | Forecast 2029 |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | | |
| Administrative Fees | \$ 1,900,000 | \$ 1,950,000 | \$ 2,000,000 | \$ 2,000,000 |
| Affiliate Management Fees | 585,500 | 597,000 | 609,000 | 621,000 |
| Management Fees - BUDC | 133,000 | 136,000 | 139,000 | 142,000 |
| Rental Income | 327,811 | 327,811 | 327,811 | 327,811 |
| Other Income | 36,000 | 40,000 | 40,000 | 40,000 |
| Interest Income - Cash & Investments | 450,000 | 478,000 | 492,000 | 507,000 |
| Interest Income - Leases | 13,726 | (9,000) | (9,000) | (9,000) |
| Total Revenues | 3,446,037 | 3,519,811 | 3,598,811 | 3,628,811 |
| CYDENOES. | | | | |
| EXPENSES: Salaries & Benefits | 2 595 000 | 2 627 000 | 2 600 000 | 0.774.000 |
| General Office Expenses | 2,585,000 141,600 | 2,637,000 146,000 | 2,690,000 150,000 | 2,771,000 |
| Insurance Expense | 150,000 | 155,000 | 160,000 | 155,000 165,000 |
| Building Operating Costs | 80,500 | 74,000 | 76,000 | 79,000 |
| Professional Services | 190,800 | 197,000 | 203,000 | 209,000 |
| Marketing, Promotion & Public Hearings | 105,000 | 108,000 | 111,000 | 114,000 |
| Travel, Mileage & Meeting Expenses | 35,500 | 37,000 | 38,000 | 39,000 |
| Website Compliance & Design | 15,000 | 20,000 | - | - |
| Other Expenses | 25,431 | 26,000 | 27,000 | 28,000 |
| Total Expenses | 3,328,831 | 3,400,000 | 3,455,000 | 3,560,000 |
| | | | | |
| GRANT INCOME: | | | | |
| Revenues | 4,493,869 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Expenses | (4,493,869) | (250,000) | (250,000) | (250,000) |
| | - | - | | |
| NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE DEPRECIATION, EXTERNAL | | | | |
| SPECIAL PROJECTS AND OTHER RESERVES: | 117,207 | 119,811 | 143,811 | 68,811 |
| Depreciation and amortization | (240,290) | (235,000) | (235,000) | (235,000) |
| NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE EXTERNAL SPECIAL | | | | |
| PROJECTS AND OTHER RESERVES: | (123,083) | (115,189) | (91,189) | (166,189) |
| , | | | , , , | |
| EVTERNAL ORFOLAL PROJECTO | | | | |
| EXTERNAL SPECIAL PROJECTS: | | | | |
| Renaissance Commerce Park grant Angola Ag Park grant | | - | • | - |
| ILDC Land Sale Proceeds (reimbursement) | (575,000) | (150,000) | (150,000) | (450,000) |
| Buffalo Downtown Initatives (BUDC) | 100,000 | (150,000) | (150,000) | (150,000) |
| Annual Membership (IBN) | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | - 75,000 |
| Gain/(Loss) on Venture Investments | . 5,555 | - 0,000 | | 70,000 |
| Other Strategic Initiatives | . | _ | _ | - |
| Total Special Projects | (400,000) | (75,000) | (75,000) | (75,000) |
| NET INCOME/(LOSS): | \$ 276,917 | \$ (40,189) | \$ (16,189) | \$ (91,189) |
| , | | , ,,,,,,,,, | . (-3,133) | , , , , , , , |
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Erie County Industrial Development Agency Proposed Five Year Capital Budget 2026-2030

| | | 2026 | 2027 | | 2028 | | 2029 | | 2030 | | Total | |
|---|----|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|-------|------------------|
| Facilities: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 143 Genesee Street 95 Perry Street | \$ | 30,000 5,000 | \$ | 15,000 5,000 | \$ | 15,000 5,000 | \$ | 15,000 5,000 | \$ | 15,000 5,000 | \$ | 90,000 25,000 |
| Total Facilities | _ | 35,000 | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 115,000 |
| Information Technology: Servers Misc. | | - 3,000 | | - 3,000 | | 12,000 3,000 | | 3,000 | | 3,000 | | 12,000 15,000 |
| Total Information Technology | _ | 3,000 | | 3,000 | | 15,000 | | 3,000 | | 3,000 | | 27,000 |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$ | 38,000 | \$ | 23,000 | \$ | 35,000 | \$ | 23,000 | \$ | 23,000 | \$ | 142,000 |

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|---|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|------------|---|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|-------|
| Approval Project Name Date | Project City/Town | Private Investment/ Project Amount | Minimum Investment Comittment (85% Threshold) | FT Jobs Retained | PT Jobs Retained | FT Jobs to | Flobs Priobs Friobs to Priobs to Job Creation Retained Retained be Created (85% New) | ob Creation 85% New) | Construction Jobs | Spillover Jobs | Length of Term | Incentive Amount | Cost |
| Mar-25 Rosina Food Products. Inc | West Sonors | 000 000 000 | 200 | | | | | | | | Period of PILOT | | Ratio |
| Deckorators, Inc./UFP | Boologo | non'non'nee | 000'005'575 | 184 | ٥ | 53 | 0 | 45 | 118 | 441 | 10 Years | \$2.693.039 | 1.105 |
| Mar-25 Industries, Inc. | Lackawanna | \$77,225,524 | \$65,641,695 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 42 | 248 | 283 | Period of PILOT | 4 600 | |
| Apr-25 IMA Life Phase I2 | Tonawanda | \$33,681,290 | \$28,629,097 | 120 | o | Ç | c | 1 | | | Period of PILOT | \$1,844,635 | 1:65 |
| Apr-25 IMA Life Phase II | Tonawanda | \$12,500,000 | \$10,625,000 | | - | 8 9 | | 67 | 124 | 333 | 10 Years Period of PILOT | \$3,614,444 | 1:74 |
| Apr-25 Big Heart Pet Products, Inc. | Buffalo | \$52,660,000 | \$44.761.000 | 283 | - | 17 | | 7, 1 | 64 | 109 | 10 Years project completion | \$1,516,824 | 1:45 |
| | | | | | | 1 | > | 14 | 208 | 837 | date + 2 yrs | \$1,085,175 | 1:184 |
| Apr-25 Eaton Mission Systems | Orchard Park | \$21,600,000 | \$18,360,000 | 453 | 0 | 77 | 0 | 65 | 80 | 617 | Period of PILOT | 1 | |
| 619 Exchange Street/PG May-25 Larkinville ⁷ | Buffalo | \$30.209.411 | \$75,677,999 | c | | , | , | | 3 | 100 | Period of PILOT | \$1,309,348 | 1:713 |
| | | TT. (212/22) | 6661101675 | | 0 | - | - | - | 226 | 114 | 10 Years | \$3,205,100 | 1:12 |
| Jun-25 Pfannenberg USA ² | Alden | \$15,850,000 | \$13,472,500 | 120 | 7 | 23 | 0 | 19 | 43 | 43 | project completion date + 2 yrs | \$411.250 | 1.94 |
| Jul-25 Lactalis American Group ² | Buffalo | \$62,014,038 | \$52,711,932 | 400 | Н | 27 | 0 | 22 | 242 | 2005 | project completion | | |
| Jul-25 Great Lakes Pressed Steel | Buffalo | \$2,555,500 | \$2.172.175 | ř | c | , | , | | 71.7 | 2,000 | Period of PILOT | \$2,158,618 | 1:179 |
| 1016 East Delavan/ | | | | | | 7 | | - | 6 | 21 | 10 Years | \$224,938 | 1:79 |
| Aug-25 Commissary Kitchen | Buffalo | \$75,500,000 | \$64,175,000 | 280 | 0 | 81 | 0 | 89 | 320 | 401 | Period of PILOT 10 Years | \$5,208,778 | 1:66 |
| Aug-25 93 NYRPT Erie 1 BOCES | Depew | \$34,135,084 | \$29,014,821 | 16 | 35 | 0 | 15 | 12 | 188 | , | Period of PILOT | | |

| Incentive Amount |
|--|
| Construction Spillover Jobs Jobs |
| s 85% Job d Creation |
| PT Jobs Created |
| FT Jobs PT Jobs FT Jobs Retained Retained Created |
| Private Investment/ 85% Minimum Project Amount Investment Comittment |
| Totals: |
| Totals: |

| Adaptive Reuse Subtotal | · · | \$30,209,411 | \$25,677,999 | 0 | 0 | | | * | 200 | 4.6.4 | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------|----|-----|----|-----|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| | | | | | , | | | | 977 | 114 | \$3,205,100 |
| mendatory Inducement Subtotal | m | \$111,545,328 | \$94,813,529 | 640 | 00 | 8 | c | 29 | 907 | - | |
| | | | | | | | | 00 | 404 | 403 2,381 | \$6,184,312 |
| 2025 Total | 12 | \$447,930,847 | \$380 741 719 1 671 | 1 071 | CV | 404 | 3. | 1 | | | |
| | The second second | in afairt in a | CT7'T+1'0000 | 1,0/1 | 65 | 401 | 16 | 348 | 1.819 5 346 | 5 346 | C10 04C 0C1 |

¹Adaptive Reuse ²Amendatory Inducement

| | nducement Est. Project Oate Completion Date | 9/22/2021 1/31/2024 | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | FT Jobs PT Jobs TFT Jobs to PT Jobs to Induc Retained Retained be Created Date | 0 | | | | | | |
| 125 | FT Jobs to be Created | 0 | | | | | | |
| 2d - 20 | PT Jobs Retained | 0 | | | | | | |
| s Close | FT Jobs Retained | 124 | | | | | | |
| ECIDA Tax Incentives Closed - 2025 | Project Amount at FT Jobs PT Jobs FT Jobs to Inducement Closing Retained Retained be Created Date | \$ 21,271,633 | | | | | | |
| ECIDA Ta | Project City/Town | Town of Tonawanda | | | | | | |
| | Closing Date Project Name | 2/25/2025 Coca Cola Beverages Northeast, Inc. | | | | | | |
| | Closing Date | 2/25/2025 | | | | | | |

| PT Jobs | Created |
|----------------------------|----------|
| FT Jobs | Created |
| PT Jobs | Retained |
| FT Jobs | Retained |
| Project Amount at | |
| lotal # of Projects Closed | |

Totals:

| 0 0 |
|--------------|
| 124 0 |
| \$21,271,633 |
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