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B&W Fiberglass, Inc. launching first South Carolina operation

Fiberglass manufacturer investing \$5 Million in Greenville County

GREENVILLE, SC - December 6, 2016 - The Greenville Area Development Corporation (GADC), the County-chartered organization tasked with advancing the area's economic growth, announced today that [B&W Fiberglass, Inc.](#), an advanced materials manufacturer, is launching its first operations in South Carolina by acquiring a new facility in Greenville County. The company will be investing at least \$5 million and creating 46 new jobs with this new development.

Founded in 1991, B&W Fiberglass is a global producer of advanced solutions focused on high-performance textiles and textile components. Over the last decade, the company's product offerings have evolved to encompass a myriad of fibers including, but not limited to, glass, aramid, basalt and thermoplastic fibers. B&W Fiberglass is focused on a multitude of end markets, encompassing automotive, aerospace, filtration media, medical devices, marine, thermal barriers, recreational equipment, personal protection and general industrial applications.

Located at 101 Slater Road in Slater, S.C., the company is acquiring an existing 450,000-square-foot weaving facility, which produces industrial fabrics used for construction and filtration media for industrial and commercial applications. The South Carolina operation will join seven other operating locations in North Carolina and the United Kingdom.

Hiring for the new positions is expected to begin immediately, and interested applicants should visit the company's website at www.bwfiberglass.com for more information.

"I would like to thank Governor Haley, the State of South Carolina and Greenville County for their support during this process. It is not only our goal that textile manufacturing remains in Greenville County, but that it thrives. My family is committed to continually investing in this operation to ensure its viability long into the future. We will approach this opportunity with the same commitment to

innovation, excellence, responsiveness to customer needs and quality products that we value at our core within the diverse industrial textile business we serve." - President of B&W Fiberglass Brent Beason

"The investment that B&W Fiberglass is making in the people of South Carolina represents a significant commitment to our state, and we couldn't be more grateful for that. The 46 new jobs this fantastic company is creating in Greenville will make a real difference in the lives of South Carolinians, and we look forward to seeing the impact it will have on the Upstate for a very long time." -Gov. Nikki Haley

"Congratulations to B&W Fiberglass for deciding to do business in South Carolina by launching their new operations in Greenville. With this announcement, B&W Fiberglass joins a community of globally-respected manufacturing firms that operate here, and we look forward to watching them grow." -Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt

"The Slater/Marietta community is fortunate to have B&W Fiberglass. With the closing of JPS Slater and the 6.9% unemployment rate within the community, B&W Fiberglass is extending opportunities to the community, and Greenville County is grateful." -Greenville County Council Chairman Dr. Bob Taylor

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The Greenville Area Development Corporation is a non-profit organization established by Greenville County Council to promote and enhance the economic growth and development of Greenville County. Since its founding in 2001, GADC efforts have resulted in the creation of more than 18,500 new jobs and more than \$3 billion in capital investment in Greenville County, SC. To learn more, visit www.goGADC.com or call (864) 235-2008.

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