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SAGE Automotive Interiors Expanding Greenville County Operations *Company investing \$5 million in existing Greenville County facility*

GREENVILLE, SC – December 10, 2015 – The Greenville Area Development Corporation (GADC), the County-chartered organization tasked with advancing the area’s economic growth, announced today that [SAGE Automotive Interiors](#), a firm that develops and manufactures innovative automotive seating material and headliners, is investing \$5 million to expand its existing operations in Greenville County, where it operates both a manufacturing plant and a headquarters facility.

Today’s announcement complements a \$4 million expansion in Abbeville County, which the company announced earlier this year. Together, these Upstate investments reflect SAGE Automotive’s ongoing commitment to remain a leader in the dynamic global automotive market.

“SAGE Automotive Interiors is a strong, cutting-edge company with a presence on six continents,” said GADC President and CEO Mark Farris. “GADC is proud to have the right resources in place to support and expand its presence here in Greenville.”

To expand its Greenville County operations, the company is upgrading equipment and technology at its existing manufacturing facility located at 518 Pumpkintown Road in Marietta, S.C. Expected to be completed in phases beginning in 2016, the expansion will allow SAGE Automotive Interiors to position its facilities for future growth.

“We are never more pleased than when we see an established company in Greenville enjoy the kind of success that facilitates growth,” said Greenville County Council Chairman Dr. Bob Taylor, “SAGE Automotive’s continuing expansion will benefit Greenville’s economy for many years to come.”

Established in 2009, SAGE Automotive Interiors is a top provider to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) in the automotive industry. Globally, the company operates more than 15 facilities across North and South America, Asia and Europe. With four facilities across the Palmetto State, the company employs approximately 900 South Carolinians overall.

“SAGE Automotive has been at the forefront of sustainable manufacturing in the automotive industry,” said GADC Chairman Dick Wilkerson. “Expanding its already significant footprint will contribute to Greenville’s growing eminence as a unique epicenter of technology and innovation.”

For more information on SAGE Automotive Interiors, visit www.sageautomotiveinteriors.com.

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About The Greenville Area Development Corporation

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The Greenville Area Development Corporation is a nonprofit 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, S.C. To learn more, visit www.goGADC.com or call 864-235-2008.

About SAGE Automotive Interiors

Sage Automotive Interiors is one of the world's leading providers of automotive interior surfaces—seating, door panels, and headliners—to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs). Global offices and manufacturing locations include the U.S., Japan, China, Brazil, Korea and Europe. Sage enjoys core strengths in consumer research, sustainability and innovative problem solving for the OEM. Sage's vision is to be the market leader in design, engineering, and technical capability supported by world class manufacturing. For more information on SAGE Automotive Interiors, visit www.sageautomotiveinteriors.com.

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