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Holmes Siding Contractors Announces Expansion in Holmes County

Killbuck, Ohio: February 26, 2024 — Holmes Siding Contractors, Ltd., in collaboration with JobsOhio, the Ohio Department of Development, Ohio Southeast Economic Development (OhioSE), and The Holmes County Economic Development Council (HCEDC), today announced a commitment to invest over \$10 million and plans to invest over \$13.2 million to construct a new facility in Holmes County, creating 60 new jobs. A strategic partnership between JobsOhio and OhioSE will bolster Holmes Siding Contractors' talent retention and recruitment strategies.

"Holmes Siding Contractors, an Ohio-founded manufacturer known for its high-quality construction products, has grown into a leading supplier over the past four decades," said JobsOhio President and CEO of J.P. Nauseef. "The company's decision to invest in a new, larger headquarters will allow Holmes Siding Contractors to scale as product demand increases, create additional in-demand jobs for hardworking Ohioans, and continue to build on its favorable reputation in the home construction industry."

Founded in 1984, Holmes Siding Contractors is a locally-owned and operated business based in Millersburg, Ohio. Holmes Siding Contractors DBA Holmes Manufacturing, based in Killbuck Ohio manufactures and sells aluminum building products. Over a 40-year span, the company has built a strong reputation of offering quality products, outstanding service, and competitive pricing.

"It has been a challenge for us to have the space we need with the growth opportunities we have had over the last two decades," said Holmes Siding Contractors President, Todd W. Kandel. "We are looking forward to our new building in Killbuck where we will have room to accommodate our customers and their needs."

Due to growing industry demand, the company's existing facility is at max capacity. This investment includes the construction of a new, 165,000 square foot building – more than twice the size of the existing building – to expand manufacturing operations and meet the demands of its customers.

"We were thrilled to learn of Holmes Siding Contractors' planned expansion in Holmes County and are pleased to have the opportunity to help support the company's sustained growth," said Mark Leininger, Executive Director of Holmes County Economic Development. "We look forward to following progress as the new facility takes shape and wish Todd and his partners many years of continued success."

The project was supported by a tax credit from the Ohio Tax Credit Authority. JobsOhio also plans to provide assistance which will be made public after a final agreement is executed.

"We congratulate Holmes Siding Contractors on the expansion of operations in Holmes County," said OhioSE vice president, Katy Farber. "This part of the OhioSE region has a strong presence in supplying

the construction industry and this growth keeps the company competitive while adding jobs and new investment in the region."

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The Holmes County Economic Development Council was formed in 2004 by a group of community leaders to promote business investment in Holmes County. Since its formation, HCEDC has evolved and refined its offering of services, but its objective remains the same – to improve the quality of life for Holmes County citizens by supporting strategic business growth and investment to create living wage jobs.

Ohio Southeast Economic Development (OhioSE) is the JobsOhio Network Partner for southern, eastern, and southeastern Ohio, providing economic development work and resources in 25 rural counties; they are the newest and geographically the largest of the six regions across the state. OhioSE partners closely with regional development districts, local economic development offices, state agencies, and other entities to expand, retain, and attract businesses in the counties they serve. Learn more at OhioSE.com.

JobsOhio is a private nonprofit economic development corporation designed to drive job creation and new capital investment in Ohio through business attraction, retention and expansion. The organization also works to seed talent production in its targeted industries and to attract talent to Ohio though <u>Find Your Ohio</u>. JobsOhio works with six regional partners across Ohio: <u>Dayton Development Coalition</u>, <u>Ohio Southeast Economic Development</u>, <u>One Columbus</u>, <u>REDI Cincinnati</u>, <u>Regional Growth Partnership</u> and <u>Team NEO</u>. Learn more at www.jobsohio.com. Follow us on LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook.