



Announcement

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Sika Corporation - the new economic partner in Sealy.

SEALY, Texas, Tuesday, November 8, 2016 - The City of Sealy, Sealy Economic Development Corporation and Austin County Officials are proud to announce that the Sika Corporation, an international company, has selected Sealy for its new manufacturing campus.

Sika Corporation has selected the City of Sealy as a great location to strengthen their position for its core products and technologies with excellent access to its customers and to serve the major metropolitan areas in the state of Texas. As part of the master campus plan for the development of the 40 acre location at 3000 FM 3538, a new factory will be constructed for the production and distribution of high performance mortars and grouts as well as a wide range of concrete admixtures. The building will also contain laboratories and sales offices as well as a training center to educate customers and applicators on Sika's technologies. The factory will generate new jobs in the area and will be the 19th production facility in Sika's network throughout the United States. As Sika is committed to investing in its core technologies, plans for future expansions on the new site are currently in development.

"We at Sika are excited to become a long term partner with Sealy, the people, and the entire local area" Herbert Zwartkruis, EVP Operations says. "Over the last nine months of diligently working on this project, we felt very welcomed and have always had good discussions in a very cooperative environment working towards mutually beneficial solutions. My special thanks go to Mayor Mark Stolarski and City Manager Larry Kuciemba, members of the Sealy City Council, Sealy EDC board members, and foremost Kim Meloneck, Executive Director of the Sealy Economic Development Corporation. One important reason for the success of Sika is our people. We live in our organization by what we call the 'Sika-Spirit' and we felt the same spirit working together with the City of Sealy."

"I am really excited about Sika coming to Sealy and whole-heartedly welcome them. With a worldwide presence, we are proud to be Sika's newest location. In 2015 alone, Sika opened 9 new factories and added 3 new national subsidiaries to its global footprint. As an innovative company it operates 20 R&D technology centers and has filed 70 patents last year. This, along with its 116-year history, attests to the long-term stability and excellence of Sika. I look forward to this being a long-term relationship between Sika and the entire local area. In addition, my hat goes off to Executive Director Kim Meloneck of the Sealy Economic Development Corporation and City Manager Larry Kuciemba, and others on the city staff, for all their hard work in bringing this partnership together." said Mayor Mark Stolarski.

KDW (Kingham, Dalton, Wilson, Ltd.) located in Houston has been selected as the Design-Builder and is currently finalizing the phase one plans. Groundbreaking is expected in February 2017.

Founded in Switzerland in 1910 by visionary inventor Kaspar Winkler over 100 years ago, Sika has developed into a successful global company with a leading position in the development and production of systems and products for bonding, sealing, damping, reinforcing and protecting in the building sector and the motor vehicle industry. Sika has subsidiaries in 97 countries around the world and manufactures in over 170 factories. Its more than 17,000 employees generated annual sales of CHF 5,49 B (approx. 5.7B U.S. Dollars) in 2015. Sika Corporation in the US is based in Lyndhurst, NJ, and is a leading supplier and active in all the 7 target markets for specialty products and industrial materials serving construction and industrial markets including transportation, marine, and automotive. Sika in the US was founded in 1937 and has grown its manufacturing footprint to 18 locations, 2 R&D centers and over 1100 employees. The future success of Sika is not only dependent on pursuing the right strategy, but is just as much based on the trust and dedication of all employees. The Sika journey to global leadership is founded on the company's entrepreneurial philosophy and the Sika Spirit.