

Quality Enclosures to Expand Albemarle, NC Facility

<u>Albemarle, NC (Stanly County)</u>: Sarasota, Florida-based Quality Enclosures announced today that it will be expanding its facility in Albemarle by creating approximately thirty-six (36) new jobs within the next five (5) years and investing \$1.475 million in real and business personal property.

Quality Enclosures, a premier manufacturer of a full line of shower enclosures and tempered glass, is expanding its Albemarle facility to boost production capacity. This expansion aims to better serve their customers across the East Coast and Midwest by enhancing their ability to deliver a comprehensive range of shower and tub enclosures. With over 60 years of industry experience, Quality Enclosures is known for their superior workmanship and commitment to using only the highest quality materials. As one of the largest shower door manufacturers in the Southeastern U.S., their dedication to excellence continues to set them apart.

"Our investment in the Albemarle facility represents an expansion of our production capabilities and our commitment to the community and local economy. By creating new jobs and utilizing the latest manufacturing technologies, we aim to enhance our service to customers while contributing positively to the area's economic development. This initiative is a testament to our dedication to excellence and our belief in the potential of Stanly County as a pivotal location for the manufacturing sector." Steve Schwartz, President and CEO.

Public hearings for performance-based incentives were conducted on Monday, May 6 by City of Albemarle and Monday, May 13 by Stanly County. The goal of local incentives is to encourage new investment and induce job creation. City of Albemarle Mayor G. Ronnie Michael stated, "Our residents told us in our most recent community survey that economic development should be a high priority. Our support for Quality Enclosures' expansion shows we're listening to the community and taking action. We're proud to work with local companies committed to creating new job opportunities for the people who call Albemarle home." Bill Lawhon, Chairman of the Stanly County Board of Commissioners adds, "It's always good to see one of our existing companies expand and invest, which will result in more jobs for our citizens. Quality Enclosures has demonstrated their commitment to our community by investing additional resources in Stanly County."

The Stanly County Economic Development Commission and Stanly County Board of Commissioners extend their gratitude to the City of Albemarle, Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina, Rural Infrastructure Authority, Governor Roy Cooper, the North Carolina General Assembly, North Carolina Department of Commerce, North Carolina Community College System, Stanly Community College, and Electricities of NC for their support of this project.

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