

**OHIO TAX CREDIT AUTHORITY MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit Authority was called to order at 10:02 a.m. on December 10, 2018 in Columbus, Ohio by Matt Peters.

Roll Call:	Matt Peters, Acting Chair	Present
	Darnita Bradley	Present
	Brian Cooper	Present
	Emmett Kelly	Present
	David Smith	Absent

**Staff Members Present:** Rasheda Hansard, Daniel Strasser, Eric Lindner, Lisa Colbert, John Werkman, and Meghan Wadsworth

**Others present:** Eva Seiple, Brandon Simmons, Tony Ciambrone, Justin Bickle, Jason Dunkle, Matt McQuade, Deb Scherer, Katy Farber, Kevin Donnally, Tim Bachman, and Camille Billups

**Minutes Approval:** Peters made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 29, 2018 meeting. Cooper seconded. The vote was 3-0 yes. Voting Peters, Cooper, and Bradley

**PROJECTS**

**Everstream Solutions LLC** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Columbus, TBD County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.864% for 7 years for Everstream Solutions LLC in exchange for a commitment to create 40 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$3,000,000 in new annual payroll at the project location in the City of Columbus, TBD County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2025. Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Everstream Solutions LLC** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 2.000% for 7 years for Everstream Solutions LLC in exchange for a commitment to create 50 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$3,750,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$4,452,568 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2025. Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Titanium Metals Corporation** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Bedford Heights, Cuyahoga County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.747% for 8 years for Titanium Metals Corporation in exchange for a commitment to create 40 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$4,000,000 in new annual payroll at the project location in the City of Bedford Heights, Cuyahoga County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2026. Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Progressive Casualty Insurance Company** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax exemption for a project in Mayfield Village, Cuyahoga County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax exemption of 100% for 15 years for Progressive Casualty Insurance Company in exchange for a commitment to create 15 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$1,500,000 in new annual payroll at the project location in Mayfield Village, Cuyahoga County. In addition, the company will make a fixed asset investment of \$100,000,000 between 1/1/2018 through 12/31/2020. The tax exemption would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2033. Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**Montauk Innovations LLC** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax exemption for a project at a to-be-determined location. Peters made a motion to approve a tax exemption of 100% for 15 years for Montauk

Innovations LLC in exchange for a commitment to create 30 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$2,500,000 in new annual payroll at the to-be-determined project location. In addition, the company will make a fixed asset investment of \$600,000,000 between 1/1/2018 through 12/31/2020. The tax exemption would begin on 1/1/2018 and end on 12/31/2033. Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**NEX Transport Inc.** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Bellefontaine and East Liberty, Logan County and the City of Delaware, Delaware County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.328% for 6 years for NEX Transport Inc. in exchange for a commitment to create 200 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$7,288,562 in new annual payroll and retaining \$22,738,447 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of Bellefontaine and East Liberty, Logan County and the City of Delaware, Delaware County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2020 and end on 12/31/2026. Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Trinity Health Corporation and Mount Carmel Health** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Columbus, Franklin County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.395% for 8 years for Trinity Health Corporation and Mount Carmel Health in exchange for a commitment to create 450 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$14,414,400 in new annual payroll and retaining \$8,221,200 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of Columbus, Franklin County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2026. Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**PACCAR Inc.** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in Green Township, Ross County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.013% for 8 years for PACCAR Inc. in exchange for a commitment to create 100 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$6,600,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$155,356,217 in existing payroll at the project location in Green Township, Ross County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2020 and end on 12/31/2027. Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**QuEST Global Services-NA, Inc.** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Sharonville, Hamilton County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.898% for 7 years for QuEST Global Services-NA, Inc. in exchange for a commitment to create 60 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$3,900,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$4,500,000 in existing payroll at the project location in the City of Sharonville, Hamilton County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2025. Kelly seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**The Kroger Co. and Ocado Group PLC** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the City of Monroe, Butler County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.362% for 8 years for The Kroger Co. and Ocado Group PLC in exchange for a commitment to create 410 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$18,971,146 in new annual payroll at the project location in the City of Monroe, Butler County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2021 and end on 12/31/2028. Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**Nidec Motor Corporation** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Cuyahoga County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.500% for 7 years for Nidec Motor Corporation in exchange for a commitment to create 29 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$2,149,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$9,772,000 in existing payroll at the project location in the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Cuyahoga County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2020 and end on 12/31/2026. Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**Relink Medical, LLC** appeared before the Tax Credit Authority requesting a tax credit for a project in Twinsburg Township, Summit County. Peters made a motion to approve a tax credit of 1.368% for 6 years for Relink Medical,

LLC in exchange for a commitment to create 30 new full-time equivalent employees generating \$1,800,000 in new annual payroll and retaining \$1,700,000 in existing payroll at the project location in Twinsburg Township, Summit County. In addition, the company will claim the tax credit on Ohio employee payroll generated at the project location in excess of the company's baseline payroll at the project location. The tax credit would begin on 1/1/2019 and end on 12/31/2024. Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Overland Xpress, LLC (Union Township/Clermont County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority terminate the agreement without clawback for failure to file the 2017 annual report. Due to this failure, the Authority has statutory authorization to terminate the agreement. On 8/31/2015, the grantee was approved for a 1.108%/6 year tax credit in exchange for a commitment to create 35 FTEs with \$1,597,655 in new payroll at the project location. After multiple attempts to contact the Grantee, the 2017 annual report, which was due 3/1/2018, remains unfiled. Based on this information, staff recommends that the Authority terminate the agreement without clawback, as no certificates have been issued.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

### **Big Heart Pet, Inc. (City of Orrville/Wayne Count)**

With the company's written consent, staff recommends that the Authority terminate the agreement without clawback. The entities included on this agreement are being added to JM Smucker's existing JCTC agreement.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

### **J.M. Smucker LLC (City of Orrville/Wayne County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority add the following grantees:

- (1) Big Heart Pet, Inc. (and associated FEIN);
- (2) Big Heart Pet Foods, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (3) Big Heart Services, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (4) Big Heart Distribution, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (5) Big Heart Manufacturing, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (6) Big Heart Retail Sales, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (7) Big Heart, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (8) Natural Balance Pet Foods, Inc. (and associated FEIN);
- (9) BHPJ Service, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (10) BHPB Service, LLC (and associated FEIN);
- (11) Smucker International, Inc. (and associated FEIN);
- (12) Ainsworth Pet Nutrition, LLC (and associated FEIN)

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

### **Darana Hybrid, Inc. (City of Hamilton/Butler County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority approve the following changes:

- (1) Reduce the job creation commitment from 200 to 65 FTEs;
- (2) Reduce the created payroll commitment from \$9,000,000 to \$2,500,000;
- (3) Reduce the total fixed asset investment commitment from \$46,000,000 to \$15,320,000. Included in this is the reduction of building costs from \$40,000,000 to \$10,000,000, land costs from \$2,000,000 to \$320,000, and M&E from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000.
- (4) Reduce the rate and term of the tax credit from 1.838%/8 year to 1.161%/6 year;
- (5) Change the project location from 345 High St., 5th Fl., Hamilton, OH 45011 to 903 Belle Avenue, Hamilton, OH 45011.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Vantiv, LLC (City of Cincinnati/Hamilton County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority approve the following changes:

- (1) Change the name of the grantee on the tax credit agreement from Vantiv, LLC to Worldpay LLC. The FEIN remains unchanged;
- (2) Add the grantee, Worldpay Integrated Payments Solutions, Inc. (and associated FEIN) to the tax credit agreement;
- (3) Change the metric evaluation date from 12/31/2018 to 12/31/2019.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Ccl Label, Inc. (City of New Albany/Franklin County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority approve the following changes:

- (1) Change the metric evaluation date from 12/31/2018 to 12/31/2019;
- (2) Change the project address from 2241 Beech Road NW, New Albany, OH 43031 to 8600 Innovation Campus Way West, New Albany, OH 43054. The physical project location remains the same.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**A.J.M. Packaging Corporation (City of Bellevue/Sandusky County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority change the metric evaluation date from 12/31/2018 to 12/31/2019.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Xellia Pharmaceuticals USA LLC (City of Bedford/Cuyahoga County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority change the metric evaluation date from 12/31/2018 to 12/31/2019.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Stolle Machinery Company, LLC (City of Vandalia/Montgomery County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority change the metric evaluation date from 12/31/2018 to 12/31/2019.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Marathon Petroleum Company LP –TI 2011 0647;TI 2011 0644 (City of Findlay/Hancock County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority add the grantee, Marathon Refining Logistics Services, LLC (and associated FEIN), to the tax credit agreement.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Cooper seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**Pretzel Baron LLC (City of Springdale/Hamilton County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority change the name of the grantee on the tax credit agreement from Pretzel Baron, LLC to Ditsch USA, LLC. The FEIN remains unchanged.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**CoverMyMeds LLC (City of Columbus/Franklin County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority approve the following changes:

- (1) Add the grantee, McKesson Corporation (and associated FEIN) to the tax credit agreement;
- (2) Add the project location, which consists of approximately 13 acres located along McKinley Ave, south of I-670 and west of N. Souder Ave., to the tax credit agreement.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Kelly seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Swagelok Manufacturing Company, LLC (City of Solon/Cuyahoga County)**

The staff recommends that the Authority approve the following changes:

- (1) Add the project location at 1924 East 337th St., Eastlake, Ohio 44095
- (2) Increase the retained job commitment from 5,190 to 5,237 FTEs;
- (3) Increase the retained payroll commitment from \$291,610,125 to \$294,178,125

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Progressive Casualty Insurance Company (City of Highland Heights/Cuyahoga County)**

The staff recommends that the staff add the City of Cleveland as a project location.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded; Kelly abstained. The vote was 3-0. All present voted yes.

**Ventech Solutions Inc. (City of Columbus/Franklin County)**

With the company's written consent, the staff recommends that the Authority approve the reduction of the grantee's new job commitment from 75 FTEs to 10 FTEs. The associated new payroll will be reduced from \$4,875,000 to \$1,750,000. To align with the new commitment, the staff recommends that the Authority reduce the grantee's 1.600%/6 year tax credit to 1.600%/2 year and 1.000%/3 years (1.600% for 2016 & 2017, 1.000% for 2018 - 2020), for a total of 5 years. Post-term reporting requirements may be fulfilled by filing annual progress reports with DSA for years 2021 – 2023.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Comresource, Inc. (City of Columbus/Franklin County)**

With the company's written consent, the staff recommends that the Authority approve the reduction of the grantee's new job commitment from 70 FTEs to 25 FTEs. The associated new payroll will be reduced from \$4,200,000 to \$2,300,000. To align with the new commitment, the staff recommends that the Authority reduce the grantee's 1.500%/6 year tax credit to 1.500%/2 years and 1.000%/4 years (1.500% for 2016 & 2017, 1.000% for 2018 - 2021), for a total of 6 years. Post-term reporting requirements may be fulfilled by filing annual progress reports with DSA for years 2022 – 2024.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Corvac Composites, LLC (Village of Greenfield/Ross County)**

With the company's written consent, the staff recommends that the Authority approve the reduction of the grantee's new job commitment from 175 FTEs to 100 FTEs. The associated new payroll will be reduced from \$4,914,000 to \$3,750,000. To align with the new commitment, the staff recommends that the Authority reduce the grantee's 1.277%/8 year tax credit to 1.277%/2 year and 1.000%/5 year (1.277% for 2016 and 2017, 1.000% for 2018 - 2022), for a total of 7 years. Post-term reporting requirements may be fulfilled by filing annual progress reports with DSA for years 2023 – 2025.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Kelly seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Aspen Energy Corporation (City of Dublin/Franklin Township)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**dunnhumby Inc. (City of Norwood/Hamilton County)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**CardioInsight Technologies Inc. (City of Independence/Cuyahoga County)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Blue & Co. of Ohio, LLC (Blue & Co., LLC) (City of Cincinnati/Hamilton County)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Mindset Digital, LLC (City of Columbus/Franklin County)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Exceptional Innovation, Inc. (City of Westerville/Franklin County)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**Chute Gerdeman, Inc. (City of Columbus/Franklin County)**

Per the company's request, the staff recommends that the Authority terminate the tax credit agreement. The company has not claimed any tax credit certificates and has agreed to waive any pending or unissued tax credit certificates.

Peters made a motion to accept staff recommendation and Bradley seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

- **Discussion on the updated Pay Increase Factor (PIF)**

Peters made a motion to accept updating pay increase factor to 1.009% and Cooper seconded. The vote was 4-0. All present voted yes.

- **Discussion on Proposed 2019 TCA Meeting Dates**

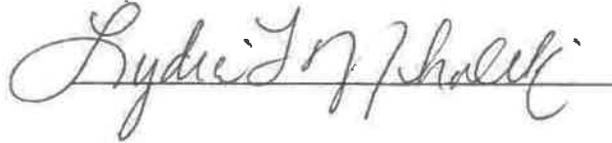
- **Presentation of Ohio Ethics Laws**

**MOTION TO AJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m. by Matt Peters.

The next meeting is scheduled December 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. on the 31<sup>st</sup> Floor.

Chair of Ohio Tax Credit Authority's Signature

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lydie T. Phelan", written over a horizontal line.