



COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED TO CONSTRUCT NEW JASPER COUNTY DISTRIBUTION CENTER

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Company investing \$5 million and creating 20 new jobs

COLUMBIA, S.C. – Coca-Cola Consolidated today announced plans to construct a new \$5 million sales and distribution center at the Cypress Ridge Industrial Park in Ridgeland, S.C. The company will be bringing 45 existing jobs with the operation and creating at least 20 new jobs.

Coca-Cola Consolidated has seven locations in South Carolina and employs more than 1,200 people in the state. The new facility will handle sales and distribution of Coca-Cola products throughout Allendale, Bamberg, Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties.

The company will be locating its operations in the Cypress Ridge Industrial Park's Speculative Building in Ridgeland, S.C. For more information on Coca-Cola Consolidated, visit www.cokeconsolidated.com.

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“Coke Consolidated has a rich history in South Carolina, and this investment reinforces the commitment we have to the state. This new facility will help us operate more efficiently to better serve our retail customers and loyal customers throughout the region while creating jobs.” –**Coca-Cola Consolidated Branch Manager Steve Curtis**

“Coca-Cola has been an important partner to our state for a long time – employing over 1,200 South Carolinians. Every time a company like Coca-Cola decides to invest in South Carolina, it shows the world that there is no company too big or too small to find success here.” –**Gov. Henry McMaster**

“Coca-Cola Consolidated has been a longtime member of the South Carolina business community, and we're thrilled that they continue to invest in our state and its people. We look forward to watching this partnership thrive in the years ahead.” –**Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt**

“Jasper County welcomes Coca-Cola to our business and industrial community. We are proud that this highly-respected and globally-recognized American brand has chosen to grow their operations in our community. We also appreciate the jobs that this investment will bring because every job created affects a family in our region.” –**Jasper County Council Chairman Marty Sauls**

“SouthernCarolina Alliance salutes Coca-Cola for their commitment to creating jobs and investment in our region, and we look forward to working with the company in the years to come.” –**SouthernCarolina Alliance Chairman Buddy Phillips**

“We are delighted that this renowned company has chosen to invest in Ridgeland, where we look forward to providing the fine workforce and outstanding locational assets that Coca-Cola and other companies seek for manufacturing and distribution.” –**Ridgeland Mayor Joey Malphrus**

FIVE FAST FACTS

- ✓ **Coca-Cola Consolidated** is constructing a new distribution and sales center in Jasper County.
- ✓ **\$5 million investment to bring 45 existing jobs and create 20 new jobs.**
- ✓ Coca-Cola Consolidated has **seven locations in South Carolina and employs more than 1,200 people in the state.**
- ✓ The company's new facility will be located in the **Cypress Ridge Industrial Park's Speculative Building in Ridgeland, S.C.**
- ✓ For more information on Coca-Cola Consolidated, visit www.cokeconsolidated.com.

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