

Niagara County Industrial Development Agency

Project Summary Sheet – Niagara Sheets LLC

Applicant: Niagara Sheets LLC

Project Location: 7393 Shawnee Road
Wheatfield

Assistance: Standard Industrial PILOT (15 Year)
Sales and Mortgage Recording tax exemptions

Description: Niagara Sheets LLC is a Delaware Corporation that was formed in September 2007 for the purpose of owning and operating a corrugated sheet plant. As a way of remain competitive in the corrugated box industry Jamestown Container Corp., Smurfit-Stone Container Enterprises, Inc., and Norampac, Industries Inc. formed Niagara Sheets LLC as a way of meeting the respective corrugated sheet demands at more favorable costs.

The new corporation is proposing to acquire the Smurfit-Stone facility on Shawnee Road renovate and expand the building and acquire and install new production equipment. This single facility would supply the three Niagara County plants with corrugated sheets of various sizes to be made into boxes and containers. With the single facility, operating costs would be reduced by increased operating capacity, use of newer high speed equipment and providing larger sized stock.

The proposed project includes the acquisition, renovation and expansion of the Shawnee Road facility, acquisition and installation of \$10,000,000 of new production equipment and the creation of approximately 65 jobs. The new corporation has had discussions with the two unions representing employees at the three partner companies on proposed hiring procedures.

Project Costs:	Building acquisition	\$ 2,000,000
	New Construction	\$ 2,400,000
	Machinery and Equipment	\$10,000,000
	Project related costs	<u>\$ 800,000</u>
	Total	\$15,200,000

Staff Recommendations:

- Project is consistent with Agency policy and IDA legislation.
- Agency Counsel has reviewed and approved this request.
- Project will create employment opportunities
- Project will improved operating and cost efficacies of 3 Niagara County businesses