

PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

**Unifrax I LLC and/or Individual(s) or
Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies)
formed or to be formed on its behalf Project**

Public Hearing to be held on March 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.,
at the Town of Tonawanda Town Hall, 2919 Delaware Avenue
(Town Board Conference Room #21), Kenmore, New York 14217

ATTENDANCE

David Ricketts – Unifrax, Sr. Project Manger
Hon. Joseph Emminger, Supervisor, Town of Tonawanda

1. WELCOME: Call to Order and Identity of Hearing Officer.

Hearing Officer: *Welcome. This public hearing is now open; it is 9:00 a.m. My name is Grant Lesswing. I am the Business Development Officer of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency, and I have been designated by the Agency to be the hearing officer to conduct this public hearing.*

2. PURPOSE: Purpose of the Hearing.

Hearing Officer: *We are here to hold the public hearing on the Unifrax I LLC and/or Individual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf project. The transcript of this hearing will be reviewed and considered by the Agency in determination of this project. Notice of this hearing appeared in The Buffalo News on Friday, March 10, 2017.*

3. PROJECT SUMMARY: Description of Project and Contemplated Agency Benefits.

Hearing Officer: *The proposed project (the "Project") consists of: (i) a portion of land located in the North Youngmann Commerce Center, Town of Tonawanda, Erie County, New York (the "Land") to be improved thereon with a 83,000+/- SF manufacturing facility comprising 67,500+/- SF of production space for the manufacturing of polycrystalline fiber product, 13,000+/- SF of warehouse space, and 2,500+/- SF of general office space (the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition and installation by the Company of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment," and collectively with the Land and Improvements, the "Facility").*

The proposed financial assistance contemplated by the Agency includes New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits, and real property tax abatement benefits (in compliance with Agency's uniform tax exemption policy).

4. FORMAT OF HEARING: Review rules and manner in which the hearing will proceed.

Hearing Officer: *All those in attendance are required to register by signing the sign-in sheet at the front of the room; you will not be permitted to speak unless you have registered. If you have a written comment to submit for the record, you may do so. Written comments may also be delivered to the Agency at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203 until the comment period closes on April 25, 2017. There are no limitations on written comments.*

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Hearing Officer gives the Public an opportunity to speak.

Hearing Officer: *If anyone is interested in making a comment, please raise your hand, state your name and address; if you are representing a company, please identify the company. I request that speakers keep comments to 5 minutes, and if possible, 3 minutes.*

David Ricketts – Sr. Project Manager, Unifrax 1. LLC. – It's our intention to construct an 83,000-sq. ft. facility in the North Youngmann Commerce Center in the Town of Tonawanda. We are doing this for the purpose of producing polycrystalline fiber that will be used in the production of catalytic converter mats. We are looking to employ roughly 25 people to begin with and we are hoping to expand employment in the future.

Hon. Joseph Emminger, Supervisor, Town of Tonawanda – I am here to say that the Town of Tonawanda wholeheartedly endorses Unifrax and its expansion over into our North Youngmann Commerce Center. Unifrax has been a great corporate partner for decades and when they approached us to expand in the North Youngmann Commerce Center we were thrilled mainly because they are keeping jobs not only in the Town of Tonawanda, but they are also keeping jobs in the United States. So, we will work diligently with Unifrax and whatever needs to be done and we will make sure this project, working alongside them, is successful.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

As there were no further comments, the Hearing Officer closed the public hearing at 9:15 a.m.

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