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JGBR Establishing Operations In Colleton County
Company Investing $7.2 Million To Establish First South Carolina Operations

COLUMBIA, S.C. – JGBR, a manufacturing company headquartered in Rugao, China, has announced the establishment of its South Carolina operations. The company is investing $7.2 million to establish a facility in Colleton County, creating 65 new jobs.

Supplying a global market, JGBR manufactures high-precision steel balls and ball bearings with a focus on the mechanical and automotive markets. This new Colleton County operation will serve not only North America, but the Mexican and South American markets as well.

Located at 1310 N. Jefferies Boulevard in Walterboro, S.C., the 240,000-square-foot facility will be situated across nine acres. The company plans to begin operations in Colleton County later this year with a goal of full production by early 2017. Once fully operational, JGBR plans to produce 400 tons of steel balls every month at the Walterboro facility.

The Coordinating Council for Economic Development has approved job development credits related to the project, as well as a $250,000 grant to assist with the costs of real property improvements. For more information on the company, visit www.igbr.com/cn.

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"We looked at sites globally and selected Colleton County, South Carolina because we believe it is the perfect location to serve our existing customers in South Carolina and to grow our North American business." –JGBR Walterboro Corp. Vice President of Operations Billy Strickland

"We couldn't be more excited to welcome JGBR to the South Carolina family. Another great win for one of our state's rural communities, this $7.2 million investment, and the 65 new jobs it means for Colleton County, will have a real impact on the local community and is a real reason to celebrate across our state." –Gov. Nikki Haley

"With today's announcement that JGBR has selected Colleton County as the location of its first South Carolina operations, rural South Carolina has earned yet another big win. We look forward to watching them succeed and grow here for years to come." –Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt

"We are proud that JGBR has chosen Colleton County for their North American location. This decision is a great indicator that Colleton County can compete globally and be successful. We look forward to a long and strong business relationship with JGBR." –Colleton County Council Chairman Steven Murdaugh

"The jobs created by JGBR will have a positive economic impact on Colleton County. Our county, regional and state officials have done an excellent job in meeting JGBR's business needs with a solution that benefits JGBR, Colleton County and South Carolina." – Colleton County Resource and Development Board Chairman Bill Workman

"SouthernCarolina Alliance welcomes JGBR to our region and congratulates Colleton County. We are proud that this global manufacturing company has chosen Walterboro's workforce and business friendly community. Every good job created changes the future of a family here, and we appreciate JGBR's commitment to our people. We look forward to working with JGBR and Colleton County for many more years to come." –SouthernCarolina Alliance President and CEO Danny Black

FIVE FAST FACTS

• JGBR is establishing operations in Colleton County.
• $7.2 million in capital investment to create 65 new jobs.
• JGBR is a manufacturer of high-precision steel ball balls.
• The company's 240,000-square-foot facility will be located at 1310 N. Jefferies Boulevard in Walterboro, S. C.
• For more information on the company, visit www.jgbr.com/cn.

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