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Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. Expanding Operations In Pickens County *Expansion To Bring More Than \$23 Million In Investment And Create 100 New Jobs*

COLUMBIA, S.C. – **Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc.**, one of the world's largest producers of automatic fire sprinklers, is expanding its existing operations in Pickens County. The new development is expected to bring \$23.1 million in capital investment and lead to the creation of 100 jobs. Reliable's plant will be expanded by 150,000 square feet to bring their total facility space to 452,000 square feet.

Founded in 1920 and headquartered in Elmsford, N.Y., Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. is a third-generation owned company, which manufactures automatic fire sprinklers and is a major distributor of sprinkler system components. The company has operations across the United States, as well as in England, Germany, Singapore, China, Australia and the United Arab Emirates.

The company's Pickens County facility is located at 1470 Smith Grove Road in Liberty, S.C. This project represents its second announced expansion since establishing operations in Pickens County in 2006. For more information on joining the Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co. team, visit the company's [careers page online](#).

The Coordinating Council for Economic Development has approved job development credits related to the project.

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"Reliable is extremely thankful for the land grant and tax credits provided by the state of South Carolina and Pickens County. The additional land will allow us to expand our facilities and to develop the necessary additional capacity to put Reliable in a position to fulfill its potential in the growth of the fire sprinkler market. The state of South Carolina and Pickens County are playing a major role in enhancing our ability in the manufacturing and distribution of fire sprinkler protection products throughout the world. We are appreciative of the strategic partnership that exists among the state of South Carolina, Pickens County, and Reliable."
–Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. President Kevin T. Fee

"It's always exciting to see one of our very own companies find success and continue to invest in our state and its people. Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co.'s \$23 million investment, and the 100 jobs it will create in Pickens County, speaks volumes about the state of manufacturing in South Carolina and the world-class workforce present in every part of our state." –Gov. Nikki Haley

"Team South Carolina has truly cultivated a positive business climate throughout our state, allowing companies like Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co. to grow and thrive. I congratulate Reliable on their decision to expand, affirming that South Carolina continues to be 'Just right' for business." –Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt

"Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co. was the first company to locate in the Pickens County Commerce Park. It is a testament to the partnership between the company and Pickens County that Reliable has chosen to expand its presence here in our community. Pickens County Council is proud to support manufacturing

growth, which ultimately supports every citizen. We look forward to watching Reliable's continued success here for many years to come." –Pickens County Council Chairman Jennifer H. Willis

FIVE FAST FACTS

- Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. is expanding operations in Pickens County.
- \$23.1 million investment to create 100 jobs.
- Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co. is one of the world's largest producers of automatic fire sprinklers and sprinkler system components.
- The company's new facility will be located at 1470 Smith Grove Road in Liberty, S.C.
- Those interested in applying for one of the new positions should visit the company's [careers page online](#).

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