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Victaulic® Reopens Waupaca Foundry's Lawrenceville, PA Manufacturing Facility

Multi-million-dollar investment by one of the Lehigh Valley's largest employers underscores focus on job creation, innovation and manufacturing excellence

LAWRENCEVILLE, PA, April 30, 2021 – <u>Victaulic,</u> the world's leading manufacturer of mechanical pipe joining, fire protection and flow control solutions, has purchased a 220,000-square-foot manufacturing plant in Lawrenceville, PA and celebrated today with a grand reopening.

Victaulic's Lawrenceville facility has added nearly 60 new jobs to Tioga County and anticipates adding approximately 40 more in the near future. It is expected many of the new positions will be filled by local talent from the area's skilled workforce. New hires will join the current Victaulic team of more than 1,600 Pennsylvania employees and approximately 4,500 people globally.

"Victaulic is excited to expand its Pennsylvania footprint and bring back to life the Lawrenceville foundry to support the growth of our customers," remarked Rick Bucher, President and CEO of Victaulic. "We appreciate the cooperation between state and local agencies as part of the site selection process, and we are very happy to be part of the Tioga community. Victaulic aims to be a good neighbor in every community where our employees work and live. We are especially proud to further our sustainable manufacturing practices and reuse this facility for the betterment of this community."

The Lawrenceville foundry will provide the scale and capacity necessary to continue Victaulic's growth plans as our business demands increase. Most importantly, it will allow Victaulic to service our valued North American customers as a major aspect of our business strategy has always been to manufacture products in close proximity to our customers. The facility, including two foundry molding lines, will also enable Victaulic to produce larger scale products.

About Victaulic

Since 1919, Victaulic's innovative solutions and design services continue to increase construction productivity and reduce risk, ensuring projects are completed safely, on time and within budget. With more than 4,500 employees and 40 international facilities, Victaulic helps customers in 120 countries succeed in the global construction industry. Learn more about how our solutions engineer confidence into every build at www.victaulic.com.

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Pennsylvania Community and Economic Development Secretary Dennis Davin: "Victaulic has historically invested in our state's communities for years, and with its continued growth brings new jobs and increased access to family-sustaining careers to even more Pennsylvanians. Today's foundry reopening will bring so much new opportunity to the Tioga area at such a critical time as we navigate the pandemic recovery."

Senator Pat Browne: "Victaulic has a longstanding presence in the international marketplace, and Pennsylvania is pleased with the company's commitment to expand its manufacturing facilities in the Northeast. This project will inject much-needed revenue into the region, create new, high-paying jobs, and provide a lasting impact on the surrounding community."

Senator Fred Keller: "To create jobs, businesses need room to grow, and the Commonwealth stands ready to provide assistance to business facilities. Victaulic's investment in our region will pay dividends in the years to come as companies relocate to Tioga County, bringing with them jobs, revenue, and new opportunities."

Senator Cris Dush: "We are so grateful to Victaulic for joining our community and benefiting from our skilled workforce. It is great to have an opportunity to highlight a company like Victaulic as they expand their presence in Pennsylvania creating 90 new, skills-based jobs. This project is a testament to our great workforce and strengthened business climate."

State Representative Clint Owlett: "Victaulic's investment in Tioga County is a testament to the company's incredible track record of growth, vision and passion for the communities they serve. I look forward to welcoming this family-owned business with Pennsylvania roots to our community along with the jobs it will bring to our hard-working residents."

Commissioner Erick Coolidge: "I am very proud to be here today at the re-opening of the Lawrenceville Foundry. This is a significant step forward for our Tioga County community, and a bright day for our hardworking residents, both in terms of the types of jobs Victaulic will generate for people who need them, and also the goodwill Victaulic will bring to our community. We deeply appreciate Victaulic's investment in our region."