

# News Release

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# ATLANTIC COAST POLYMERS EXPANDS TEXAS OPERATIONS IN LOCKHART

ACP to add jobs and expand regional presence with new facility

July 9, 2012 [AUSTIN, TX] <u>Atlantic Coast Polymers, Inc</u>. (ACP), a US owned and operated manufacturer of polymers whose corporate offices are located in Austin, has recently expanded their operations with a new manufacturing facility in Lockhart. Given the current opportunities and favorable economic conditions in Central Texas in key industries, including oil & gas and wastewater treatment, the new development will be able to create up to 25 new jobs. ACP's goal is to supply the wastewater treatment industry with consistently superior polymers, innovative problem solving technical support, and reliable and rapid product delivery. ACP's new location is at 215 E. MLK, Jr. Industrial Boulevard, Lockhart, TX.

ACP worked through the <u>Opportunity Austin</u> initiative at the <u>Austin Chamber of Commerce</u>, Economic Development and Tourism division of the Office of the Governor, and the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation to facilitate this expansion. "ACP's expansion into Lockhart illustrates the strength of the region in recruiting and retaining companies in key industries," said Gary Farmer, Chairman of Opportunity Austin. "Our collaborative approach to economic development with our regional partners continues to bring prosperity and opportunity to Central Texas."

Stuart Siegele, ACP's President added, "the primary reasons for ACP expanding to Lockhart was the forethought of the Lockhart development group to purchase a great facility that we could get into quickly, assisting in the financing, and the day-to-day guidance of Lockhart Economic Development Department Director Sandra Mauldin, Lockhart City Manager Vance Rodgers, and Lockhart Director of Finance Jeff Hinson, to assure any impediments to locating in Lockhart were rapidly addressed. I would also like to thank the Lockhart City Council for our warm welcome to the community."

Lockhart Mayor Lew White boasted that the city is experiencing exciting growth including three planned developments along SH130 that will help create more jobs. Mayor White continued, "This growth in addition to the opening of ACP and the upcoming Circuit of the Americas will continue to bring opportunities to our fair city."

Sandra Mauldin, Director of the <u>Lockhart Economic Development Department</u> added, "The City of Lockhart was one of the first to buy into the Opportunity Austin membership. We are very proud of that partnership and the benefits, such as ACP's expansion, that we feel give us a more competitive edge in recruitment."

#### About the Chamber

The mission of the Austin Chamber of Commerce is to provide leadership that facilitates the creation of a prosperous regional economy and effective advocacy for its members. For more information about the Austin Chamber of Commerce visit austinchamber.com.

### About Opportunity Austin

Opportunity Austin is the Austin Chamber of Commerce's regional five-year economic development initiative to foster sustainable growth through the creation of new jobs and increased payroll in Central Texas. <a href="mailto:opportunityaustin.com">opportunityaustin.com</a>.

## About Atlantic Coast Polymers

Atlantic Coast Polymers, Inc. (ACS) is a private company with headquarters in Austin and manufacturing facilities located in Connecticut. ACS has earned a reputation of high quality polymer production, aggressively low pricing, experienced technical support and rapid delivery. We do ONLY polymers and polymer blends for Industrial and Municipal water and wastewater treatment plants. <a href="www.atlanticcoastpolymers.com">www.atlanticcoastpolymers.com</a>

### About Lockhart Economic Development Department

The Lockhart Economic Development Department is a department within the City of Lockhart, Texas that is designed to promote economic and business development through Business Retention, Expansion, and Recruitment programs. The Department accomplishes this goal by providing a range of business and economic development related assistance to companies ranging from retailers to manufacturers." The Lockhart Economic Development Corporation is the Half Cent Sales Tax Corporation organized and operating under the laws of the State of Texas <a href="https://www.lockhart-tx.org/web98/citydepartments/ed.asp">www.lockhart-tx.org/web98/citydepartments/ed.asp</a>

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