

operation in Clearfield's Freeport Center.

"It is exciting to see that, after serious competition from other national and international locations, Lifetime has decided to expand in its home state of Utah," Herbert said. "Competition is fierce for high-quality manufacturing jobs and high-quality manufacturers like Lifetime. Once again, Utah's welcoming business environment and its dedicated and productive work force have proved an irresistible combination."

Richard Hendrickson, president of Lifetime, said the company is looking forward to growing its business in Utah.

"Lifetime, as a global company, is always looking for product and processes that allow us to expand globally, domestically, and especially locally in Utah, where we were founded 25 years ago and are headquartered still today," he said in a prepared statement. "We are very pleased to have such strong support in the state and local government entities as we strive to provide jobs and opportunities for our highly qualified Utah work force."

Clearfield Mayor Don Wood said Lifetime's expansion will bolster the city's economy.

"In a global economy, companies have many options. I am elated that Lifetime Products has selected Clearfield city as the location for this major corporate expansion," he said in a prepared statement. "Lifetime Products has always been a great corporate citizen and community partner."

"Their willingness to make this substantial investment in our community speaks to their commitment to the families of Northern Utah. We are excited to see a lot of new job positions over the next few years."

Lifetime will retain its current work force and over the next decade will add 142 new full-time positions with salaries in excess of 125 percent of the Davis County average.

The company is expected to pay out more than \$46 million to its work force during the first 10 years of the agreement with GOED.

The GOED Board has authorized a single post-performance tax credit of \$3.1 million to Lifetime for new and retained jobs, as well as the expansion of the Clearfield manufacturing facility payable in increments over 20 years. The new state tax revenue to be paid by the company is expected to be in excess of \$12 million.

See what the Weber County Forum says: <http://wcforum.blogspot.com/2011/10/standard-examiner-two-companies-expand.html> (<http://wcforum.blogspot.com/2011/10/standard-examiner-two-companies-expand.html>)

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