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Nordson EDI Selected as Finalist for Economic Development Award

Madison, WI – Nordson EDI (formerly EDI) of Chippewa Falls, WI has been selected as a finalist for the Wisconsin Economic Development Association’s (WEDA) Business Retention and Expansion award for their new world headquarters and manufacturing facility. The award is part of the Community and Economic Development Awards (CEDA) program established by WEDA to recognize businesses, projects and organizations that are making significant contributions to Wisconsin’s economy.

The Business Retention and Expansion award honors innovative economic development projects where communities have successfully mobilized to help retain and potentially expand the operations of an existing business critical to the economic vitality of the community.

Nordson EDI, a leader in extrusion die manufacturing, has been a major employer in Chippewa Falls since 1971. In 2018, Nordson EDI broke ground on a new $18 million, 145,000 sq. ft. headquarters and manufacturing complex in Chippewa Falls. When completed in 2020, the facility will consolidate the company’s three local sites and house all 290 current local employees under one roof. The project, which was made possible through the joint efforts of Nordson EDI, the Chippewa County Economic Development Corporation and local and state officials, was financed with private investment secured by state tax credits and local tax increment financing.

Nordson EDI is among 17 finalists selected for the 2019 CEDA Awards. There are two to three finalists in each of the following six award categories: Business Retention & Expansion; Economic Development Initiative; Economic Driver; Private-Public Partnership; Real Estate Redevelopment and Reuse; and Talent Development. The League of Wisconsin Municipalities, Wisconsin Counties Association and WEDC have partnered with WEDA to present the CEDA Awards program.

Finalists have been screened by an impartial panel of WEDA members and partners, and winners will be unveiled at a ceremony on September 11, 2019, at The Edgewater Hotel in Madison. The event is open to the public. For more information on the CEDA Awards, please visit weda.org/events/awards/.

About WEDA:
For over 40 years, WEDA has been dedicated to expanding Wisconsin’s economy through advocacy, education and providing resources to promote economic growth. WEDA is a statewide trade association comprised of economic development professionals, businesses and organizations who strive to make Wisconsin a better place to live, work and do business through economic development. For more information, visit our website at www.weda.org.

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