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Platte Valley Industrial Park – East Attracts New Business to Grand Island

(Grand Island, Neb.; June 19, 2015) — Over the last decade, Grand Island has experienced consistent growth. The manufacturing industry is continuing to develop and bring numerous jobs and economic strength to the metropolitan area. Transportation and warehouse employment has expanded considerably and the interest from prominent companies to locate in the area still exist today.

Platte Valley Industrial Park – West has established a vibrant manufacturing and distribution center, producing positive growth for years. “The Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation (GIAEDC) receives numerous requests for site-ready locations that allows for immediate possession of a site and building. The move-in ready, customizable buildings allow for companies to start operations quickly and be fully functional in a fraction of the time it would take to build from scratch,” said GIAEDC president Dave Taylor. The success of the Industrial Park has spurred a demand to continue to further develop the area.

Wildwood Development, LLC, a partnership between Chief Industries and the Central Nebraska Growth Foundation, will be working with the GIAEDC by initiating development plans for the first 40 acres in Platte Valley Industrial Park – East. “By working together, we will be able to create a greater positive impact for the community to remain competitive on a national and global scale,” continued Taylor.

Platte Valley industrial Park – East is comprised of 280 acres of land that is zoned for heavy to light manufacturing. The overall concept of the 280 acre site is to build a visually appealing campus style layout that will attract numerous businesses from different industries such as warehousing and distribution, manufacturing, and data centers. Development

preparations on the first 40 acres of land on the southeast end of the property, with a spec building being erected on an initial 5 acre lot, will begin later this year.

The initial spec building will be constructed by Chief Construction of Grand Island. "Chief is committed to the growth of our community and we are excited to assist in the development, design and construction of the first phase of the Platte Valley Industrial Park East plans," commented Roger Bullington, vice president of construction and development of Chief Industries.

Projects like these position Grand Island as a fore leader among its peers and present an innovative way to continue to redefine and grow our city. Platte Valley Industrial Park is a catalyst for growth and provides exciting opportunities for businesses and the city alike.

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