
COMMONWEALTH BRANDS ADDING 35 JOBS IN CAROLINA



Tobacco producer Commonwealth Brands is adding 35 jobs as part of a \$6.7-million investment in its facility in Rockingham County, N.C. The factory is being expanded to produce a new line of cigarette tubes that are currently made in Canada. Salaries, which will vary according to occupation, will average \$37,571, well above Rockingham's current annual wage of \$30,472, according to Business Journal. Commonwealth produces blended and fine-cut tobaccos along with cigarettes and cigarette tubes. Based in Kentucky, the firm currently employs 224 people. The company will also receive a \$100,000 grant from the One North Carolina incentive fund for the expansion if it meets the job creation targets.

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