

PLASTIKON TO OPEN PRODUCTION PLANT WITH 126 JOBS



Plastikon, a California-based contract health care company, is entering Lawrence, Kans. through a \$7 million investment that will bring 126 new jobs to the area. The Kansas City Business Journal said the company is moving into a vacant biopharmaceutical building in the area by the second quarter of 2011 for use as a production facility. According to a company press release, Lawrence was chosen over sites in Chicago and South Carolina for the company's expansion. "After many months of research and analysis we decided on Lawrence, Kan., for our new site because of the highly skilled biotech and pharmaceutical employment base this great community offers," Kaveh Soofer, Plastikon's vice president of global sales and engineering, said in a press release. "We have been very impressed with the people, city and state and are looking forward to launching our new successful project this spring." The city of Lawrence and Douglas County are aiding in the expansion through training grants and the financing of a \$7 million loan. Plastikon is a contract manufacturer for the health care industry that develops and manufactures plastic products. The company was founded in 1982 and has nine facilities around the world.

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