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Masters Gallery Foods launches expansion at Oostburg facility

OOSTBURG, Wis. – July 8, 2021 – Masters Gallery Foods recently began construction to add 110,000 square feet onto its Oostburg packaging and distribution center, bringing the total facility to over 285,000 square feet. The expansion will double the current production area while adding significantly to dry storage, bulk cheese and finished goods warehousing space. Project completion is estimated to be within the second quarter of 2022.

"Masters Gallery continues to experience strong growth within our private brand retail and food service cheese business, and this expansion is necessary to facilitate that growth while creating capacity for new opportunities," says Jeff Gentine, CEO and co-owner of Masters Gallery Foods. "It will also relieve some pressure on our main facility in Plymouth by allowing us to better spread production and minimize transfers between locations."

Initial construction of the Oostburg facility was completed in May 2018 and has led to nearly 250 new jobs for Sheboygan County since production began. Oostburg was deemed an ideal location thanks to its proximity to Sheboygan and to Highway 43, which helps to attract employees living outside the local area. The new expansion is expected to add roughly 125 jobs as new packaging lines are installed.

"Our consistent growth has created an abundance of new job opportunities for people to start or further their careers at Masters by earning \$40,000 or more per year with excellent benefits. Advancement opportunities are plentiful, too. Approximately 45% of our current employees have advanced within the company since their hire," Gentine stated. "It's an exciting time for the Masters Gallery family."

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About Masters Gallery Foods, Inc.

Since its founding in 1974, Masters Gallery Foods has grown to service many of the nation's grocery chains, wholesalers, restaurants, and distributors with a full line of cheese and cheese-related products. The Company also specializes in the procurement, aging and distribution of bulk cheeses at a national level. The Masters Gallery family is 900+ employees strong and growing. For more information or to apply online, please visit the company's website at www.mastersgalleryfoods.com.