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STATEMENT OF ALAN MARCUVITZ
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Mount Pleasant, Wis. – September 28, 2018 – The following statement was issued today by Alan Marcuvitz, one of the attorneys for the Village of Mount Pleasant, regarding the Mount Pleasant Village Board's withdrawal of its Jurisdictional Offers for land owned by Creuziger Farms, Inc.

The Village of Mount Pleasant has withdrawn the Jurisdictional Offers it issued to Creuziger Farms, Inc. to acquire the interest in land located along Highway 11. Because of a change in schedule for road improvements, the Village will not need anything from the land for the expansion of Highway 11 for at least another year.

As it has since the beginning of this process, the Village will continue to pursue all reasonable efforts to reach voluntary agreements with individual property owners to acquire the property needed for public infrastructure improvements and the Foxconn development.

BACKGROUND

On September 7, 2018, the Village of Mount Pleasant issued two Jurisdictional Offers to Creuziger Farms, Inc., one for Parcel 304 and the other for Parcel 307. At the time, the Village acted, at the request of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), to acquire what WisDOT required for the planned improvement of State Trunk Highway 11, commencing in early 2019.

On September 20, the Village of Mount Pleasant received a copy of a letter request from Foxconn to WisDOT, asking that a segment of CTH H be improved in 2019 and acknowledging that Foxconn recognized that such request would require postponing the STH 11 project until at least 2020.

On September 26, the Village of Mount Pleasant was advised by WisDOT that it had granted the Foxconn request and that, as a consequence, the STH 11 project will not occur until, at the earliest 2020. That action makes it unnecessary to acquire any interest in, or from, Parcels 304 and 307, for more than a year and will also require one or more changes in the Relocation Order on which the Jurisdictional Offers are grounded.

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute sec. 32.05(6), the Village of Mount Pleasant has withdrawn the Jurisdictional Offers, which had not been accepted.