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Project Announcement

## UCS Receives a \$4.75 Million USDA Rural Development Loan Guarantee

**GASTON COUNTY**—Sen. Elizabeth Dole and USDA State Director John Cooper today (Tuesday) announced a \$4.75 million USDA Rural Development loan guarantee for UCS, the new sports equipment manufacturer in northern Gaston County. The loan will help the company expand and increase employment from their current level of 27 up to 80 jobs.



Company leaders Jeff and Larry Schwartz hosted a luncheon event at their plant attended by local government officials, USDA staff, and representatives of RBC Centura, which will provide the actual funding.

UCS manufactures a wide variety of athletic equipment that has been used in major events such as recent Olympic Games and World Cup Soccer.



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