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AMPO, Inc. Proposed AMPGS Site Description (substitute for ProCure® form)

Site Features

In City Limits: No **Location:** Letart Township
Type of Park: N/A
Zoning: Ag

Utilities

Electric

Service Provider	Location	Primary Voltage
AEP Ohio (Columbus Southern Power)	adjacent	138 kV

Gas

Service Provider	Location	Main Size (in.)	Pressure (psi)
Columbia	adjacent	4	40

Water

Service Provider	Location	Main Size (in.)	Pressure (psi)
Tuppers Plains-Chester Water District	adjacent	4	

Sewer

Service Provider	Location	Main Size (in.)
N/A		

Telecommunications

Service Provider	Switching	Type of Service	Fiber Optic
Verizon North	Digital	Both	

Transportation

Highways

Name	Distance (mi.)
SR 124	0

Interstates

Name	Distance (mi.)
None	N/A

Railroads

Name	Siding	Distance (mi.)
Norfolk Southern	Yes	30+
CSX	No	30+

Airports

Name	Distance (mi.)
Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport	39
Port Columbus International Airport	116
Yaeger Airport Charleston, WV	65

Water Ports

Name	Distance (mi.)	Ohio River Mile #
Richards and Son, Apple Grove Fleet Mooring*	3.5	230
Dravo Basic Materials Apple Grove Plant Wharf*	3.5	232
Richards and Son Letart Falls Pit, Dock*	>1	234
Raven Hocking Coal Corp., Minersville Dock*	12.5	253
Addington #4, Wharf*	15+	256

*Information from The Ohio River Basin International Trade/Tourism Transportation System (ORBIT^{3}S) website: http://www.ohioriver.biz/index.htm

Tax Structure

(Currency Values In USD @ $1 per $1 USD)

State Taxes

Corporate Income Tax: Yes **Corporate Franchise Tax:** No

Sales Tax: 5.5 % **Gasoline Tax (cents per gallon):** 28

State Tax Web Site: http://tax.ohio.gov/

Meigs County/Entity Taxes – Tax Year 2005

Sales Tax: 1%

Income Tax: N/A

Tax	Rate	Assessment	Unit
Real Estate	$51.70	35%	Per $1,000
Personal	$38.96		Per $1,000

(**Effective** - 0.246493 reduction factor)

Entity Taxes – Tax Year 2005

Tax District: Letart Township

Real Estate Tax	Rate	Unit
County	$4.30	Per $1,000
School	$31.40	Per $1,000
Township	$4.20	Per $1,000
T.B	$0.50	Per $1,000
Rio Grande	$1.00	Per $1,000
E.M.S.	$3.00	Per $1,000
Board of Health	$1.00	Per $1,000
M.R. 169	$5.30	Per $1,000
Senior Citizens	$1.00	Per $1,000

Tax District: Letart Township

Effective Tax	Rate	Unit
County	$3.24	Per $1,000
School	$23.66	Per $1,000
Township	$3.17	Per $1,000
T.B	$0.38	Per $1,000
Rio Grande	$0.75	Per $1,000
E.M.S.	$2.26	Per $1,000
Board of Health	$0.75	Per $1,000
M.R. 169	$4.00	Per $1,000
Senior Citizens	$0.75	Per $1,000

Incentives

Incentive Possible: Yes **Enterprise Zone**: Yes **Empowerment Zone**: No

Foreign Trade Zone: No **Specialized Zone**: No

Commments

A ProCure® form was not available for the project area because the location had not been previously identified and marketed as an available site for development by the County.

Site Features

The AMPGS proposed project location is located in southern Meigs County in Letart Township. The project area is roughly 1,600 total acres located in the township. Please see the attached parcel map for parcels that will be part of the project area. The proposed project area is not within a previously established industrial park. The current zoning for the proposed project area is agricultural.

Utilities

Electric

The current electric service provider to Letart Township is AEP Ohio (Columbus Southern Power). Power is available adjacent to the proposed project site and has a primary voltage of 69 kV.

Gas

Columbia Gas provides gas service to Letart Township. Gas service is available adjacent to the project location via a four-inch main line at approximately 40 psi.

Water

The Tuppers Plains Chester Water District in Athens County provides water service to Letart Township. A four-inch main line is located adjacent to the proposed project site.

Sewer

Sewer service is not currently available adjacent to the proposed project site.

Telecommunications

Verizon North provides the telecommunications needs for residents of Letart Township. Verizon North provides digital switching and products including telephone and internet service.

Transportation

Highways

State Route 124 is located adjacent to the project site.

Interstates

There are no interstates located within Letart Township.

Railroads

Norfolk Southern and CSX Rail lines are located approximately 30 miles from the proposed project location. Other rail lines operated by Norfolk Southern, CSX and other carriers are not located within Letart Township.

Airports
Three airports are located within driving distance from Letart Township. The Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport is the closest, and is located approximately 39 miles from the proposed project site near the Village of Gallipolis in Gallia County. The Yaeger Airport in Charleston, West Virginia is 65 miles away, and the Port Columbus International Airport is 116 miles from the proposed project site.

Water Ports
According to the Ohio River Basin International Trade/Tourism Transportation System (ORBIT^{3}S) website (www.ohioriver.biz/index.htm), five ports along the Ohio River are within close proximity to the proposed project area. The Richards and Son Apple Grove Fleet Mooring port is located approximately 3.5 miles east of Letart Township in Apple Grove, Ohio at river mile 230. The Dravo Basic Materials Apple Grove Plant Wharf is also located approximately 3.5 miles east of Letart Townaship in Apple Grove at river mile 232. The Richards and Son Letart Falls Pit Dock is less than a mile from Letart Township at river mile 234. The Raven Hocking Coal Corporation, Minersville Dock is located approximately 12.5 miles away at river mile 253, and the Addington #4 Wharf is located approximately 15 miles from the project site at river mile 256.

Tax Structure
State
State taxes include the corporate income tax, a sales tax of 5.5% and a gasoline tax of 28 cents on the gallon. State of Ohio taxation information is available on the Ohio Department of Taxation's website at http://tax.ohio.gov/.

County/Entity
Meigs County has a sales tax of 1 percent. Letart Township does not have an income tax. The 2005 tax year real estate tax rate is $51.70 per $1,000 with a 35% assessment, and the 2005 personal or effective tax rate is $38.96 per $1,000, with a 0.246493 reduction factor for agricultural and residential property.

Entity
In Letart Township, real estate and personal property tax is distributed into these categories: County, Township, School, T.B., Rio Grande, E.M.S., Board of Health, M.R. 169, and Senior Citizens. The Tax rate is calculated per $1,000, and as mentioned above, the 0.246493 reduction factor for agricultural and residential property was applied to achieve the personal property tax rates for the Township.

Tax Incentives
Tax incentives are available at the State and County level. Meigs County has an Enterprise Zone to offer tax abatements on real and personal property to current and future businesses that are located, or would locate in the County. The County does not have an Empowerment Zone, a Foreign Trade Zone, or a Specialized Zone.