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ARDMORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RESPONDS TO AAF FLANDERS CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT

Ardmore, OK – The Ardmore Development Authority acknowledges AAF International’s announcement regarding the upcoming closure of its AAF | Flanders facility in Ardmore by December 2025. The decision will affect approximately 120 employees and their families.

“We are saddened by this news and recognize the impact it will have on members of our community,” said Andrea Anderson, Senior Vice President of Economic Development at the Ardmore Development Authority. “We remain ready to collaborate with AAF International and look forward to learning more about how they intend to support their employees during this transition.”

The closure reflects a broader trend in manufacturing toward automation and realignment. The Ardmore Development Authority’s recently-launched [Economic Vision Plan](#) has positioned the community to adapt to this shift, with active initiatives to diversify Ardmore’s economy, expand advanced industries, and strengthen partnerships with Murray State College and SouthernTech to build the next generation of workforce skills.

“Ardmore has faced challenges before, and each time the community has emerged stronger,” said Bill Murphy, President and CEO of the Ardmore Development Authority. “Our community has always shown resilience, and together we are building toward a stronger future.”

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