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## **Kimberly Clark Jobs to Stay in Wisconsin**

NEENAH – Hundreds of Kimberly Clark jobs will be staying right here in the Fox Valley thanks to a plan announced today by Governor Walker and the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC). A deal months in the making, State Rep. Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) authored and helped pass legislation to keep these family-supporting careers here in our backyard. On hand for today’s announcement, Steineke hailed Gov. Walker’s plan to help keep this deep-seated company here in Wisconsin.

“Keeping Kimberly Clark’s family-supporting jobs here in the Fox Valley has long been a big priority of mine and our Assembly Republican caucus,” said Rep. Steineke. “Today’s announcement is about more than a company – it’s about providing stability for the community and the families these jobs support.”

In March, [the Assembly passed legislation co-authored by Rep. Steineke](#) that would keep Kimberly Clark in Wisconsin. But with no bipartisan support for the union-backed jobs, Governor Walker and Assembly Republicans recognized that a legislative fix was not going to be the answer. With the assistance of WEDC, the deal announced today was crafted and ensures nearly 400 Kimberly Clark jobs will remain in Wisconsin.

“It’s situations like these that show just how invaluable WEDC is to our state’s economic health,” continued Rep. Steineke. “Though I would have liked to see the other side of the aisle take a stand for Fox Valley families and jobs, I am glad to see that we could get this done with the help of the WEDC, Senator Roth, and Governor Walker.”

“Further, I can’t say enough about the leadership of Governor Walker on this issue. Despite the outcome of November’s election, he set politics aside and did what was best for the families in northeast Wisconsin.”

The deal will be contingent upon not only job retention, but also capital investments and supply chain purchases. Kimberly Clark has committed not only to retaining jobs in its Cold Spring facility, but also to investing up to \$200 million in facility upgrades over the next five years, further cementing its 146-year-long Wisconsin legacy.

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*Representative Jim Steineke represents Wisconsin’s 5<sup>th</sup> Assembly District which includes Outagamie and portions of Brown County. Steineke serves as the Assembly Republican Majority Leader.*