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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Commissioners announce relocation of Fuchs North America to Hampstead**

**Westminster, MD - January 13, 2014** - The Board of Carroll County Commissioners is pleased to announce the relocation of Fuchs North America to Carroll County. The company, part of the worldwide Fuchs Group since 1990, may be more recognized locally as "Baltimore Spice".

Currently located in Baltimore County, steady growth led the company to seek out a larger footprint onto which to expand. "Our success in growing the company into one of the leading developers of seasonings in the food industry has necessitated this move," said Fuchs North America CEO, Dan Cooper. "Relocating to a new, upgraded facility will allow us to continue that progress and position ourselves for future growth opportunities, creating more jobs in the process. As we celebrate our 75th year in Maryland, we are grateful to the State, Carroll County and the Town of Hampstead for making this move possible. We look forward to being a valued corporate partner in our new community."

The company will purchase about 20 acres of land at the North Carroll Business Park in Hampstead. Construction plans call for over 200,000 square feet to house Fuchs' corporate headquarters including their new R&D and Culinary Center, state-of-the-art production facility, and QC and testing labs. The company currently employs 168 people in the Baltimore area.

Haven Shoemaker, District 2 Carroll County Commissioner stated, "I welcome Fuchs North America to Carroll County and to the Town of Hampstead. Fuchs represents a significant success for our County in terms of creating quality manufacturing jobs for our residents.

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We are pleased that Fuchs' company officials recognized the benefit of locating in Carroll County and taking advantage of our skilled workforce, quality of life and supportive business environment."

Baltimore Spice was founded in 1939. As operations expanded, the company outgrew its Baltimore City facility and moved to its present location on Reisterstown Road in 1959, expanding in 1979 and 2010. Now landlocked, the company searched for a large site to build its new LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified facility.

Chris Nevin, Mayor of the Town of Hampstead, stated his support. "We look forward to having Fuchs as a long-term corporate neighbor in our Town. We have been impressed by the initial discussions with management about the facility they plan to build and the employees that need to be hired. We believe they will quickly strengthen the fabric of our Town by hiring local residents, generating demand for our local businesses and being involved in area charitable causes."

#### **About Carroll County Economic Development**

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