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## Dublin-founded logistics company to build global HQ in area

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A Dublin-based transportation and supply-chain solutions provider is to renovate a vacant office building in Dublin into its new global headquarters.

EASE Logistics, founded in 2014 in Dublin, currently occupies three buildings at 5725, 6100 and 6141 Avery Road, in Dublin.

The company is to renovate a 150,000-square-foot vacant office building at 6000 Perimeter Drive into its new global headquarters, according to Zindzi Hamilton, an account executive with Development Counsellors International, and a spokeswoman for EASE Logistics.

The Perimeter Drive building that EASE Logistics is to occupy has been occupied by several tenants since its construction.

It was most recently occupied by Fiserv, but has been vacant for the past three years, Hamilton said.

EASE Logistics is to adhere to all Dublin's building and zoning requirements "as we work through the revitalization of the 6000 building." Hamilton said.

The project is expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2024, according to Hamilton.

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The company is to invest more than \$25 million for real estate, repairs and sustainability measures, in addition to \$7 million in payroll to create 140 full-time jobs across all departments, including sales, account operations, marketing and accounting and information technology, according to Hamilton.

EASE Logistics currently has more than 170 full-time employees in Dublin and this latest investment is to nearly double its local workforce, Hamilton said.

The newly renovated headquarters is to be known as the EASE Building. The revitalization project is to bring the building up to city codes and guidelines, making it sustainable for the future as a global headquarters site, as well as a community space, according to a press release from EASE Logistics announcing the project.

Founded in Dublin in 2014, the company offers a range of supply chain and transportation solutions that assist in delivering products and goods to customers through its global network.

To engage the Dublin community, the building is to feature an indoor-outdoor community gathering space where EASE can host events like community meetings, philanthropic events and food truck festivals, according to the company's press release.

EASE "Touch-A-Truck" on Oct. 9 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. is to be the company's first outdoor community event.

Dublin officials lauded the company's decision to grow within the city.

"Watching EASE's year-over-year growth has been so exciting and we're thrilled they've selected Dublin for their new global headquarters," said Dublin Director of Economic Development Jennifer Klus.

"EASE has been an incredible community partner for Dublin and their long-term focus on making sure the new building supports their community and fellow business partners speak highly of their stewardship to the city. This is an exciting venture for all of Dublin."

EASE Logistics' executives said they are pleased to grow where the company was founded.

"We are excited to continue to grow in Dublin, and our new global headquarters will allow EASE to create additional jobs for the great workforce that's already in the Columbus Region," Peter Coratola, EASE Logistics' president & CEO, said in the company's press release.

"Community impact is one of the most important initiatives for EASE, so we look forward to bringing the community inside our building to decorate the halls, install artwork by local artists and creatively highlight our homegrown roots."

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