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The Holesome Donut Company Denies Claims to Ban Organized Labor Unions

EVERGREEN, Ala., Nov. 6, 2013 – Holesome Donut Company, a leading doughnut bakery in the East and Midwest, denies claims of its intentions to use Alabama’s right-to-work laws to kick labor unions out of its proposed new plant.

On, Tuesday, Nov. 5, The Holesome Donut Company learned that several allegations and reports were made claiming that it had intentions of banning organized labor unions from the new proposed plant in [Evergreen](http://www.evergreenal.org/). Holesome has denied these allegations and emphasized that they conflict with the overall history of the company.

“I was not only appalled, but absolutely disturbed by the allegations brought against Holesome, ” said Louis Jackson, president of the Council of Unions at Holesome “Year to year and factory to factory, Holesome has had a long history of good relations with organized labor. The unions even cover non-managerial workers in each of Holesome’s facilities. If anything is at the top of the priority list at Holesome, it is its employees. Their commitment to invested time, money, and efforts in the well being of its employees is beyond evident. It’s the reason I’m still here and the reason I’m not leaving.”

Furthermore, allegations aroused prospect of cheaper labor costs and fewer regulations driving the factory to the south. Although Holesome’s decision to build its first southern factory in Evergreen was most definitely a strategic move, labor costs and regulations were the least of our concern during the process.

“Proximity of a major interstate highway, low interest rates on local banks loans, and municipal tax incentives for new construction; these are the reason the new Holesome factory is being built in Evergreen, “ said Lonny Underwood, the president of Holesome Donut Company, I take pride in not only our expansion, but in our opportunity to be of assistance to my hometown by providing a countless amount of new jobs to its citizens.”

A news conference will take place on site on Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 9 a.m. outside of the main entrance. Jonathan Cook, the executive vice president for labor relations at Holesome, will be a speaker at the news conference, as well as Sara Walters, a representative of the Alabama [AFL-CIO](http://www.alaflcio.com/). The press conference will begin at 10:30 a.m. promptly. Underwood will be available for live TV interviews and radio interviews beginning at 11 a.m.

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**Holesome Donut Company**

Holesome Donut Company is leading doughnut factory and bakery headquartered in Wilmington, Delaware, which has operations in the East and the Midwest. Holesome has an annual revenue of $5 billion with 680 employees in Wilmington and five other locations in the Northeast and Midwest, including Boston, Mass; Garden City, Long Island, N.Y.: Chicago, Ill; Detroit, Mich. and Ft. Wayne, Ind.. The first southern factory is expected to open on April 1, 2015 in Evergreen, Ala.

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