

Your Touch

Access to collaborators, technical leaders and clients

Central Ohio is home to world class research institutions that support product, materials and process research, innovation and commercialization. In Union County, more than 2,800 R&D professionals—over 10% of the workforce—are employed in Research and Development positions.

“Our local companies benefit from collaboration with like-minded firms and research and technology institutions that are attracting the brightest minds from around the world,” according to Eric Phillips, Executive Director of Union County Economic Development Partnership and Columbus2020 Board of Directors.

“With its strong corporate foundation, superior research capabilities and large, educated workforce, the Columbus Region is one of the fastest growing innovation and technology hubs for both established and early-stage technology-based businesses,” continued Phillips.

Exceptional community services and relationships

With more than 1,120 employees at its St. Paris, Ohio manufacturing plant, KTH Parts Industries has already experienced the combination of rural benefits and big-city advantages that make the Central Ohio region stand out.

“Pioneer Electric Cooperative has proudly served KTH Parts Industries’ plant since they began operations in 1985,” stated Ron Salyer, President of Pioneer. “As the KTH plant has grown to more than 910,000 Sq. Ft., Pioneer has proactively managed electric service capacity, reliability and redundancy options to support its expansion.”

The new KTH R&D facility is located in the service territory of Union Rural Electric Cooperative, another of Ohio’s 25 electric cooperatives. Union Rural Electric, the first electric distribution cooperative with a LEED Certified facility, illustrates the commitment to innovation and excellence that is found in the Union County community.

Roger Yoder, President of Union Rural Electric Cooperative noted, “Affordable, available sites served by responsive community officials, economic development partners, and service providers such as Ohio’s Rural Electric Cooperatives and Buckeye Power are a value proposition that’s tough to beat.”

Contact Dennis Mingyar, Buckeye Power Director – Economic Development at (614) 430-7876 or dmingyar@buckeye.com to explore electric cooperative-served sites in Ohio’s vibrant R&D sector.

Sources:

1For the full Union County Economic Development Strategy document contact Eric Phillips or visit: <http://www.unioncounty.org/economic-development/eds/>

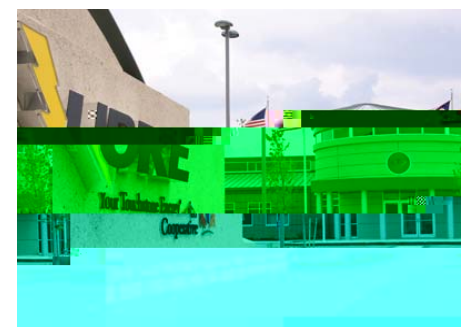
Columbus Region Research & Innovation Assets

- The Ohio State University
- Battelle
- Transportation Research Center Inc. (TRC)
- Chemical Abstracts Service
- IBM Client Center: Analytics Solutions Lab
- Ohio Supercomputer Center
- SciTech (Science & Technology Campus Corporation)
- Ohio TechAngels
- Ohio Third Frontier
- BioOhio
- EWI
- PolymerOhio
- OCLC (Online Computer Library Center, Inc.)
- Rev1 Ventures
- The Research Institute at Nationwide Children’s

Source: ColumbusRegion.com



Ohio’s Rural Electric Cooperatives serve both KTH Parts Industries’ St. Paris manufacturing plant and Union County R&D facility.



Union Rural Electric Cooperative serves the region’s rapidly growing R&D, manufacturing,

Buckeye Power and Ohio's Electric Cooperatives can help with:

- Comprehensive site and building portfolios
- Preliminary site studies
- Site search tours
- Assistance in identifying financial incentives