

## City of Durant, Oklahoma Durant Industrial Authority

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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FROM: Tommy Kramer, Executive Director Durant Industrial Authority

SUBJECT: Site Selection Magazine - May 2016 Edition

2015 Top Micropolitan Area - New and Expanded Facilities

Join me in congratulating TEAM DURANT, Durant Industrial Authority, Chairman Greg Massey, Economic Development Council, City Council and Mayor Stewart Hoffman for assisting with Durant, Oklahoma being selected as one of the Top U.S. Economic Groups winning a Mac Conway Award for Excellence in Economic Development within the Micropolitan Areas with New and Expanded Facilities. This is the second time for this award. (See attached information)

Rankings are provided by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce for eighteen micropolitan areas within the State of Oklahoma. The first time the Durant Industrial Authority achieved this award, was in 2002 for the Cardinal Glass facility and the Big Lots Distribution Center, which brought over \$200 million in new business investments. In achieving the 2015 award, Durant submitted its growth of the Hitchcock Distribution Center of \$3+ million, Cardinal Glass facility expansion of \$60+ million, BrucePac facility with a \$20+ million investment and the upcoming Commercial Metals Company micro steel mill with an investment of \$250 million.

There are copies of the May 2016 Edition available, as well as the handsome plaque from Site Selection in the Durant Industrial Authority for your convenience.