

Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation: WEDC Secretary Mark R. Hogan, DOA Secretary Ellen Nowak recognize Merrill Steel for role in Foxconn construction

Posted on Monday, Jul 23, 2018

>> **WisPolitics is now on the State Affairs network. Get custom keyword notifications, bill tracking and all WisPolitics content. [Get the app or access via desktop.](#)**

Merrill Steel is one of eight Wisconsin companies awarded contracts for the Wisconsin Valley Science & Technology Park's Multipurpose Building

SCHOFIELD, WI. JULY 23, 2018 - Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) Secretary Mark R. Hogan and Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) Secretary Ellen Nowak highlighted the statewide reach and benefits of Foxconn's \$10 billion investment in Wisconsin today by visiting Merrill Steel in Schofield.

Merrill Steel is one of the eight prime contractors for construction of a multipurpose building in Phase 1 of Area 1 of the Wisconsin Valley Science & Technology Park in Mount Pleasant.

"Contracts like those awarded to Merrill Steel are just the beginning of the ripple effects occurring in central Wisconsin and around the state as a result of Foxconn's historic investment in Wisconsin," Secretary Hogan said. "I commend Merrill Steel on being one of the first companies to receive a contract and congratulate them on being a part of the largest economic development project in state history."

"Merrill Steel is a family-owned company that has employed generations of central Wisconsin workers over more than a half century, and we look forward to seeing

their workmanship contribute toward this transformational opportunity,” Secretary Nowak said. “From Schofield to the Fox Valley and everywhere else, the Foxconn project is an economic win for all Wisconsin communities.”

“Merrill Steel is proud to be involved in the Wisconsin Valley Science & Technology Park project as part of Foxconn’s historic investment in Wisconsin,” added company President Fred Schwalbach. “Our company strives to meet the unique needs and ever-changing demands of the steel fabrication industry, and we are excited to undertake this caliber of a project right here in our home state.”

Merrill Steel’s contract is to furnish and install the structural steel, metal deck, steel joist and miscellaneous metals. All structural steel will be fabricated at Merrill Steel’s Schofield facility. The company plans to use 365 tons of steel for the project.

Founded in 1962, Merrill Steel primarily serves a large-scale, diverse customer base, assists with LEED certification goals where needed, and maintains a pulse on the emerging needs of the power and energy industry.