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SECO Energy Expands Headquarters in Sumter County, Strengthening Local Infrastructure and Growth

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Sumter County, FL – Sumter County is proud to support SECO Energy's recently announced Expansion and Improvement Plan, a five-year initiative that includes a new expanded headquarters in Sumter County, as well as district operations offices in Lake, Marion, and Sumter Counties. This project is a significant investment in the region's infrastructure, reinforcing SECO's commitment to providing reliable and efficient service to its rapidly growing membership.

SECO Energy has selected DPR Construction as the Construction Manager (CM) for the preconstruction phase of the project, with construction expected to begin in early 2026. The expansion comes in response to substantial growth in SECO's service area, which has surged from 100,000 to over 250,000 members in the last 25 years, adding approximately 1,500 new members each month.

"SECO Energy is an essential partner in Sumter County's continued economic development and success," said Kristy Russell, Economic Development Director for Sumter County. "Their commitment to expanding and modernizing their facilities ensures that businesses and residents alike will continue to benefit from reliable energy services. This project not only enhances SECO's capabilities but also supports job creation and infrastructure improvements that make Sumter County an attractive place for business investment and growth."

Sumter County Economic Development works closely with existing and new businesses to facilitate expansion efforts, ensuring they have the support and resources needed to thrive. The County has partnered with SECO on this project to ensure a smooth development process, leveraging its commitment to fostering a strong economic climate that supports both business and residential growth.

DPR Construction, known for managing large-scale, complex projects, was selected after a competitive bidding process and will work closely with SECO and its project partners to bring the expansion plan to life. The project team also includes Gensler Tampa as the architect, Project Management Advisors, Inc. (PMA) as the owner's representative, and Bowman Consulting Group Ltd. as the civil engineer.

This expansion is another step forward in Sumter County's mission to support economic growth while maintaining the high quality of life that makes the county a desirable place to live, work, and invest.

For more information about Sumter County Economic Development and its efforts to support businesses, visit www.sumterbusiness.com.

For updates and to track the progress of this project, visit <https://future.secoenergy.com>

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