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Project of the Month: Dacon Corp. begins development of Crown Uniform & Linen Service's new commercial laundry facility

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Dacon Corp. begins development of Crown Uniform & Linen Service's new commercial laundry facility.

Crown's new textile laundering and distribution facility at 309 Battles St., will sit atop a 20 acre site that had been unused for many years. The newly planned 94,000 s/f building will house a state-of-the-art commercial laundry facility and will include 14,000 s/f of administrative office space when finished. This conventional structure building has an insulated metal panel and glass exterior façade with E.I.F.S. and clerestory glass curtain walls throughout the office area. A 2,500 s/f entry atrium and mezzanine conference center highlights the building envelope. Building plans also include 25 loading docks and 5 drive-in doors. The main production area has a 30,000 s/f laundry area sectioned off from a 50,000 s/f dry side area for folding, pressing, and finished laundry goods. An employee cafeteria and outdoor patio area will blend into the fully-landscaped site.

Dacon Corp. of Natick, Mass., has worked closely with Bill Jackson of William Jackson Associates as the owner's representative and with American Laundry Systems of Woburn, Mass. for the laundry process systems in the development of this project. Real estate broker for the purchase of the property by Crown Uniform was Ed Jarosz of CB Richard Ellis New England. Lynn Tokarczyk of Business Development Strategies assisted Crown Uniform in the award of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Grant.

On October 23rd the Dacon team participated in the Crown Uniform & Linen Service groundbreaking ceremony. The ceremony was attended by many state and city officials, as well as local community leaders. Speakers included: State senator Thomas Kennedy, Brockton mayor Linda Balzotti, Brockton's Ward 7 city councilor Chris MacMillan, state representative Michael Brady, state representative Claire Cronin, executive director of Massachusetts Office Business Development Michael Hunter, and Brockton's Chamber of Commerce president Christopher Cooney. Members of Dacon Corp. presented the project plans and spoke in detail about the planning and development of the Crown project, which is being welcomed as a key factor in the revitalization of the city.

"Crown's project is a win-win for Brockton" said mayor Balzotti. "Not only is Crown Uniform & Linen a family-owned company that has invested time and resources in our community, but this project is helping to grow our commercial tax base by redeveloping an abandoned property and bringing jobs to Brockton."

Crown is a family owned commercial laundry that provides work uniforms, healthcare apparel, and linen services throughout New England. Building Crown's new facility in Brockton will help to bring jobs and commercial growth to a city that is business friendly and eager to grow.

"Dacon is proud to be working on a project that will not only be Crown Uniform's new home, but will

play a significant part in community development," said Chuck Reilly, vice president of Dacon Corp. Dacon Corp. was founded in 1985, and is a fully integrated design and construction management firm that provides single-source solutions to clients' most challenging facility requirements. Dacon provides exceptional design, engineering and construction services for hundreds of corporate clients, building our success, one project at a time.

Project team includes:

- * Owner: Crown Uniform & Linen Service
- * Design Build: Dacon Corp.
- * Civil Engineering: J. K. Holmgren Engineering, Inc.
- * Structural Engineering: RRC Engineering, LLC
- * Site Work: CARLCO Construction, Inc.
- * Landscaping: Yukon Landscaping, Inc.
- * Concrete Materials: Southern Redi-Mix
- * Structural Steel: Norgate: Metal 2012, Inc.
- * Roofing: Rockwell Roofing, Inc.
- * Fire Protection: Platinum Fire Protection & Services, LLC
- * Plumbing: Dan-Cel Company, Inc.
- * HVAC: Environmental Systems, Inc.

Crown vice president Plato Spilios; Crown president Chris Spilios; Brockton's
Ward 7 city councilor Chris MacMillan; Crown general manger George Spilios; and Brockton's
Chamber of Commerce president Christopher Cooney

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