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## **Dacon Corp. to create a 121,800 s/f new facility for Edwards Vacuum - located in the Broadway Business Park on Creek Brook Dr.**

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Haverhill, MA Dacon Corp. is creating a 121,800 s/f new facility for Edwards Vacuum, a developer and manufacturer of sophisticated vacuum products, exhaust management systems and related services. This building is in response to Edwards' acquisition of Brooks Automation, thereby expanding the firm's technology offerings within the semiconductor and general vacuum industries.

Located in the Broadway Business Park on Creek Brook Dr., the facility's anticipated completion is in the second quarter of 2022 and is expected to bring 200 jobs to the area.

The design of this two-story LEED facility centers on four functional domains – manufacturing, labs, offices and warehousing. The largest portion of the first floor – 70,000 s/f – centers on manufacturing, alongside warehouse/storage, R&D labs, a training room, cafeteria, fitness area and bike storage. Offices, conference rooms and an observation room will be situated in the mezzanine area.

A unique facet to each of Edwards' facilities are visual connections to the area's heritage. With local industrial ascent stemming from shoe, comb and hat manufacturing, there will be design nods to mills positioned throughout the facility.

"The objective is to create a state-of-the-art, innovation and solutions center, improving overall efficiency of assembly, research & development, new product introductions and related operations activities," said John O'Sullivan, general manager.

“The development of a vacant parcel in Broadway Business Park into a state-of-the-art, high-tech facility with 200 new jobs coming to Haverhill is incredibly exciting,” said mayor James Fiorentini. “We have been working with Edwards Vacuum on this for some time and we are very pleased to see it coming to fruition. We can’t wait see the new Edwards’ Innovations & Solution building and the jobs, many of them high-paying scientist and engineering roles, come to our city.”

In consideration of renewable energies, some of the location’s LEED initiatives include provisions for a future solar setup, reduced water usage, high efficiency cooling systems, EV parking and dark sky compliant lighting. Additionally, bike/walking pathways will connect to the existing city recreational trail system currently north of the building site. Pathways will have environmental education and rest areas for employees to interact with nature and the Haverhill community. States Kevin Quinn, Dacon’s CEO, “Edwards’ leading industry position stems from their willingness and curiosity to push the boundaries of science with products intrinsic to many industries. We are enjoying collaborating with their dynamic and intellectually driven team.”

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