

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Jim Gray Mayor

To:

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Urban County Council

Kevin R Atkins

Chief Development Officer

Date:

June 4, 2013

RE:

Approve agreement with Total Quality Logistics, LLC to participate in the Kentucky Business Investment

Program

The Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority has given Total Quality Logistics, LLC preliminary approval to participate in the Kentucky Business Investment (KBI) Program. The KBI Program requests that the state and local government enter into a 10-year agreement with the approved company under which the business can recover up to 100% of its start-up cost and 50% of the annual rent costs through Kentucky corporate income tax credits and a wage assessment fee of up to 4%.

Total Quality Logistics' decision to expand their sales and service center for their freight brokerage firm in Lexington will create wealth and provide additional job opportunities for the citizens of Lexington and the surrounding area. The company plans to create 75 new jobs with an average wage of approximately \$41,500 per year plus benefits. Total Quality Logistics plans to invest over \$1,750,000 in start-up costs and lease cost for a 10-year period.

It is recommended by the staff at Commerce Lexington for Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to approve the 10-year local 1% wage assessment through KBI. There is no budgetary impact on Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government.