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## LIDL TO BUILD FOURTH REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION CENTER AND HEADQUARTERS IN COVINGTON, GEORGIA

New Facility Will Create 270 Full-Time Jobs

**ARLINGTON, VA** – Lidl announced today it will build a regional distribution center in Covington, Georgia. Lidl is investing \$100 million in the project, which will create 270 new full-time jobs over the next five years. The 925,000 square-foot facility will serve as a regional headquarters and it will supply products to Lidl stores across the region.

"I am grateful for Lidl's investment in Georgia and the tremendous opportunities that it will create for hardworking Georgians in Newton County," said Georgia Governor Brian P. Kemp. "Our logistics infrastructure puts domestic and international markets within arm's reach, and leading brands from around the world are taking notice. As the No. 1 State for Business for seven years running, Georgia's ability to support international companies looking to expand their U.S. footprint is unmatched."

"We look forward to breaking ground on Lidl's fourth regional distribution center in the U.S. and hiring hundreds of new team members in Georgia," said Lidl US Chairman Roman Heini. "This centrally located facility will allow us to efficiently deliver outstanding quality products to our customers at the lowest possible prices and expand our network of stores across the region. We thank Governor Brian Kemp and local leaders for their tremendous support during this process."

Lidl previously considered Cartersville for the site of the regional distribution center. After further evaluation, Lidl chose a location that is more centralized for its store network in the state and future expansion plans. Lidl has opened four stores in Georgia and has hired more than 150 employees in Augusta, Mableton, Marietta, and Snellville.

## About Lidl

Lidl operates more than 11,000 stores and is active in 32 countries, employing around 287,000 employees globally. Lidl offers customers the highest quality fresh produce, meat, bakery items and a wide array of household products at the lowest possible prices. Lidl first established its U.S. headquarters in Arlington County, Virginia, in June 2015, and today sells its award-winning



products in more than 85 stores across nine east coast states. For more information, visit www.Lidl.com.