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Global HQ: Halyard Health is locating its 174,000-square-foot global headquarters in Alpharetta. The company, a spinoff of Kimberly-Clark that manufactures infection prevention products and medical devices, will create 150 to 200 new jobs over the next two years.

Duluth Jobs: Dasan Machineries is opening its headquarters in Gwinnett County, creating 150 jobs. The Korean company will invest \$30 million over the next three years on the facility, which will manufacture components for the automotive and defense industries.

Mining: Chemical manufacturer Southern Ionics is investing \$100 million in South Georgia over the next two years, creating 125 jobs. The company plans to sustainably mine zirconium and titanium sands between Folkston and Nahunta. The Mission South Mine in Charlton County is complete, with another mine in Brantley County and a mineral sand processing plant in Pierce County to follow.

Eco-Park: Japanese company Otsuka Chemical Co. is opening its 35-acre North American headquarters at Georgia's first eco-friendly park, The Lakes at Green Valley, in Spalding County. The company will manufacture titanate friction materials for automotive brake pads and create 32 jobs.

Bulloch Glass: Viracon, an architectural glass fabricator, is expanding in Statesboro to meet growing product demand. The \$2-million investment will create 125 jobs.

Berrien Facility: Coyote Manufacturing is building a \$2.5-million, 109,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Nashville. The company manufactures steel and aluminum boat components and trailers and will create 100 jobs at the new location over the next two years.

Eatonton Medical: Aalto Scientific is moving its corporate headquarters and manufacturing facility to Putnam County. The medical diagnostics manufacturer will invest \$9 million in a new 91,000-square-foot facility, creating 80 new jobs.

Hall Expansion: Korean company Jinsung TEC Inc. is expanding in Oakwood. The heavy construction equipment parts manufacturer, which will supply the nearby Caterpillar facility in Athens, will add 30 jobs and invest up to \$10 million over the next five years.

Atlanta Automation: Marketing automation firm Marketo Inc. is making Atlanta its East Coast hub. The San Mateo, Calif.-based company will locate in Buckhead, creating an initial 30 to 40 jobs with plans to add 200 more over the next two years.

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