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Big Job Maker

Daimler Trucks North America announced Friday it would build a new corporate headquarters on Swan Island in north Portland, bringing hundreds of jobs to the city. An artist's rendering shows what the building might look like along the banks of the Willamette River.

Daimler Trucks to expand in north Portland

Daimler Trucks North America announced Friday it will expand its north Portland headquarters, bringing 400 high-paying jobs to the local economy.

The economic boost comes with about \$20 million in incentives from local and state government agencies.

The company plans to construct a new building on the company's existing campus on Swan Island. The 265,000-square-foot, LEED Platinum-certified head-

quarters will cost \$150 million and is slated for completion in 2016. It will provide space for a new workforce of white-collar jobs paying around \$80,000, including benefits.

Daimler makes heavy-duty trucks and school buses under brands that include Freightliner, Western Star and Thomas Built. The German company already employs about 2,800 people at its North American

headquarters in Portland, including about 750 people in blue-collar manufacturing jobs.

Daimler has large operations in North and South Carolina and had considered expanding there.

Explaining the decision to stay in Portland, Daimler Trucks North America CEO Martin Daum cited the city's

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