

## **Ahold Delhaize announces that Ahold Delhaize USA plans to build state-of-the-art distribution center in North Carolina**

*Zaandam, the Netherlands, October 23, 2025* – Ahold Delhaize announces new plans of Ahold Delhaize USA to build a state-of-the-art distribution center in North Carolina. As part of its Growing Together strategy, Ahold Delhaize continues to invest wisely in long term infrastructure projects. This with the goal to build resilient and sustainable operating systems that can respond fluidly and at pace to changing customer needs and capture technological advancements.

### **1 million square feet**

As part of those investments, [Ahold Delhaize USA](#) announced that its distribution and transportation companies, ADUSA Distribution and ADUSA Transportation, will build a USD 860 million state-of-the-art distribution center in Burlington, N.C. (Guilford County). The new facility will grow the supply chain network, which serves Ahold Delhaize USA's omnichannel grocery brands on the East Coast, including Food Lion in North Carolina. The new facility will add over 1 million square feet of additional distribution infrastructure, delivering fresh and frozen grocery items to Food Lion and other brands' stores.

### **More than 65 years**

“The investment into this facility is an investment into the customers who trust our brands to nourish their families,” said JJ Fleeman, Chief Executive Officer for Ahold Delhaize USA. “Through the new distribution center, ADUSA Distribution and ADUSA Transportation will expand their capacity to support Food Lion's growth in the state, along with bringing new jobs. We're excited to locate this facility in North Carolina and continue to grow our presence in a state where our companies have done business for more than 65 years.”

The new facility is expected to begin operations in 2029. Over time, the site is expected to employ over 500 associates. To maximize efficiency, the site will leverage proven supply chain automation technology. The investment is within the scope and parameters of the Growing Together financial framework. We intend to deploy capital for construction and automation through planned expenditures using a combination of cash on hand and a long-term lease transaction to optimize cash flows and capital efficiency.

### **Significant growth**

The local brands of Ahold Delhaize USA comprise one of the largest grocery retail groups on the East Coast. These five omnichannel grocery brands continue to achieve

significant growth within their markets, including more than 50 consecutive quarters of same-store sales growth at the Food Lion brand. The supply chain network has one of the largest fleets on the East Coast with more than 8,000 assets, logging approximately 125 million miles annually. In addition to the new facility, ADUSA Distribution and ADUSA Transportation operate three other distribution centers in North Carolina in Salisbury, N.C., Butner, N.C., and Dunn, N.C.

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Ahold Delhaize’s family of great local brands serves over 72 million customers each week in Europe, the United States and Indonesia. Together, these 17 brands employ more than 390,000 associates, and operate around 9,400 supermarkets, convenience stores and specialty stores. Our group includes the top online retailer in the Benelux, bol, and the food retail brands in the U.S. and the Benelux lead in online grocery. Ahold Delhaize brands are at the forefront of sustainable retailing, supporting local communities and helping customers make healthier choices. Headquartered in Zaandam, the Netherlands, Ahold Delhaize is listed on the Euronext Amsterdam and Brussels stock exchanges (ticker: AD). Its American Depositary Receipts are traded on the over-the-counter market in the U.S. and quoted on the OTCQX International marketplace (ticker: ADRNY).



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