

APPLICATION SUMMARY
Replacement Power

Company: Niagara Refining LLC

Location: Depew

County: Erie

IOU: National Grid

Business Activity: Tungsten powder manufacturing

Project Description: To create a new tungsten refining plant, the company would refurbish and upgrade 100,000 square feet of an existing facility, install new chemical process equipment, and construct small ancillary buildings at its Depew site. Process equipment includes tanks, heaters, piping, pumps and controls. The facility is located on a brownfield site.

Existing Allocation(s): None

Power Request: 5,400 kW

Power Recommended: 2,700 kW

Job Commitment:

Existing: 13 jobs

New: 50 jobs

New Jobs/Power Ratio: 18.5/MW

New Jobs - Avg. Wage and Benefits: \$43,670

Capital Investment: \$29.583 million

Capital Investment/MW: \$11.0/MW

Other ED Incentives: None

Summary: Niagara Refining LLC is deciding to locate a refining plant for strategically important raw materials in the United States. It benefits New York State by modeling the process for bringing industry back from China. An allocation of hydropower is critical for the company to be competitive with Chinese tungsten refiners that currently control a significant portion of the market. Additional benefits include supporting the local economy and revitalizing an old manufacturing facility located on a brownfield site.