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## Fujitec staying in Warren County

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Elevator and escalator maker Fujitec America Inc. is keeping its corporate office and manufacturing plant in Warren County.

The company, which sold its 125-acre Lebanon site to Cincinnati Bell Inc. for a data center earlier this year, plans to relocate to a 116,200-square-foot building in the City of Mason's Innovation Business Park along Interstate 71, city official said.

"We've been working with Fujitec for several months and excited to keep the company and the 109 it employs in Warren County," said Michele Blair, Mason economic development director.

The company, which expects to employ 115 in three years, plans to invest \$4 million to refurbish the building at 7258 Innovation Way, it has leased from Neyer Properties.

Mason approved a 10-year, 100 percent tax abatement on the project in return for an estimated \$543,743 payment in lieu of taxes to Kings Local School District.

The city also projects \$750,000 in new payroll tax revenue over the 10-year term of the abatement.

The division of Japanese-based Fujitec Co. Ltd. opened the 180,000-square-foot Lebanon plant and its 210-foot research tower in 1983.

In light of changes in the industry, the company is focusing more on computer controls and less on manufacturing in its new people-moving systems, officials said.