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Where are the guarantees that Syracuse residents will benefit from Micron? (Your Letters)

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Micron Technology plans to build a massive chipmaking complex in the town of Clay. This conceptual rendering shows the scale of the development, which could be several times larger than the New York State Fairgrounds. Onondaga County



By **Your Letters**

To the Editor,

In response to the June 25 and 26 coverage of the Micron DEIS — “Giant report on Micron project in Central NY is out” and “Five takeaways from newly released Micron chip project impact report”:

Give me a break! This 20,000-page document is nearly unreadable, making it impossible for taxpayers to find real answers about costs, subsidies and infrastructure demands.

Just the project overview reads like a polished sales pitch, full of 21st-century buzzwords, but light on measurable enforcement strategies or binding commitments.

We’re told this is a \$100 billion “investment,” but how much of that is actually Micron’s money? Syracuse.com has reported that 40% of the first phase, building two fabs, will be subsidized by taxpayers.

But that doesn’t include the cost of local infrastructure upgrades — water, sewer, roads, public services — which remain an unresolved cost. Those costs could be significant for rate-payers and taxpayers, including people in Syracuse.

Micron isn’t coming to Central New York out of goodwill. It’s coming to cash in on massive publicly funded subsidies handed out by politicians desperate to claim a win.

Meanwhile, Syracuse will bear the brunt: crumbling infrastructure, environmental disruption and a hollow promise of jobs that may or may not materialize. And even if they do, many who land higher-paying jobs will move out, taking their tax dollars with them and leaving behind underfunded city services.

Can someone tell us how Syracuse residents who stay will benefit? Or is this just another corporate handout dressed up as economic development?

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