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## **Vigon International, Inc. Receives Loan Funds from the Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance (NEPA)**

**PITTSSTON, PA, June 16, 2008** – Officials gathered recently to present a check for \$120,000 in loan funds to Steve Somers, President, Vigon International, Inc., East Stroudsburg for the purchase of machinery and equipment.

Vigon International, Inc. is a certified manufacturer and supplier of high quality flavors, fragrances and ingredients. The company also develops and maintains partnerships with larger ingredient suppliers providing ingredients and servicing customers in flavor and fragrance market segments. Vigon's products encompass over 1,700 items including essential oils, oleoresins, botanical extracts and natural and synthetic aroma chemicals. Their comprehensive manufacturing capabilities coupled with their ability to successfully partner with major multinational flavor and fragrance houses has firmly established Vigon as one of the most progressive companies in the industry.

The loan referral was made to NEPA Alliance by Michelle Bisbing, Director of Marketing, Pocono Mountains Economic Development Corporation. The Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance offers a variety of financing programs for businesses. For more information, contact NEPA Alliance at (570) 655-5581.



Pictured, from left: Monroe County Commissioners Suzanne McCool and DonnaASURE; Steve Somers, President, Vigon International, Inc.; Jeffrey Box, President & CEO, NEPA Alliance; Representative John Siptroth and Bob Phillips, Greater Pocono Chamber of Commerce and NEPA Alliance Board Member. Absent from photo: Dave Nat, Business Finance Manager, NEPA Alliance.