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Ceramicx boss makes plea on broadband

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A BALLYDEHOB company delivered a strong message to Environment Minister Denis Naughten when he visited their facility: get us better broadband to help us expand and create more jobs.

Ceramicx is just weeks away from completing a 22,000 sq ft extension by CHOM Construction that will bring the total size of the business to 50,000 sq ft and job numbers to 65.



Frank Wilson shows Minister Denis Naughten around Ceramicx on his recent visit

Ceramicx manufactures infrared components, completes contract research, and manu-

factures infrared ovens for the packaging, automotive and aerospace industries.

Frank Wilson, the company's managing director; his wife Gráinne, a director; and son Cathál, also a director, gave the minister a tour of the impressive new facility but also but-tholed him on the issue of broadband.

'It is the one thing we need - it is a significant piece of the puzzle,' Cathál told the minister.

He also mentioned that the company has made an application to have the 1GB broadband from Siro brought the 20km distance from Skibbereen to their base here at Gortnagrough, but that has yet to come to fruition.

Cathál said the company is willing to cover the cost of bringing the service to their factory because they need it for their business transactions, such as meetings with customers in the US.