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Westrock Development, a group of New York investors, paid \$1.7 million for this building at 82 Mill Plain Road in Danbury.

Developers plan to renovate, fill Mill Plain Road building

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DANBURY — A Yonkers-based partnership that bought the office building at 82 Mill Plain Road for \$1.7 million called it a good investment at a good price.

The 50,000-square-foot building is about 80 percent occupied, and with some renovations it can be filled, said Michael Friedland, a co-founder and partner in Westrock Development.

"We'll do general renovations that will improve the property and give it a face lift," Friedland said. "Mill Plain Road is a great road. We liked the price and we think it offers a great opportunity."

The multi-tenant industrial building at 82 Mill Plain is behind Agway. It is now occupied by Papertown, Bradco Supply and Sunguard, said Joseph Wrinn, the commercial Realtor with Good-fellow Ashmore Co., who brokered the deal.

"The building has good highway access. It has

high ceilings, which is good for industrial users," Wrinn said.

The purchase price was \$1,725,000.

In the early 1980s, the building was purchased to serve as a warehouse staging area for the move by Union Carbide Corp. from New York City into its new Danbury headquarters.

Westrock Development also bought four industrial buildings on Brookfield's Commerce Drive in June for \$5.9 million. The company's partners include Michael's brother Jay Friedland, their father Robert Friedland and Steve Corrigan, the company's vice president and a former vice president of leasing and acquisitions with H.B. Nitkin of Greenwich.

"Steve can look at any building within 100 miles of New York City and know its value," Michael Friedland said. "He's an oracle."

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