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CANDO, N.D. (AP) — A potential deal to sell a North Dakota pasta plant is off the table.

Bektrom Foods official Bruce Satrom tells the Grand Forks Herald (<http://bit.ly/VGzZV1>) that the Michigan-based manufacturer has pulled its offer to buy the plant.

Bektrom had been negotiating with the family of Leonard Gasparre, who died in 2011. Gasparre built the Cando plant in the mid-1980s and added a plant in Devils Lake in the 1990s.

The Devils Lake plant closed last March, shifting operations to Cando. The Cando plant closed in October.

Towner County Economic Development Corp. president JoAnn Rodenbiker says officials continue to work with family representatives to reopen the Cando plant.

Ultra Green Packaging bought the Devils Lake facility.

In the early 1990s, the two plants had a combined 325 employees.

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