DETROIT REGIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE – KEY MESSAGES - 2006

Governor Granholm's Plan to Transform Michigan's Economy is Paying Dividends

- Michigan faces a choice: solutions that invest in our people and meet challenges of new economy; or the wrong policies that got Michigan into this problem in the first place.

- Governor has a comprehensive plan for Michigan's economy, and it's beginning to pay dividends.

- It's the right plan, the right choice for Michigan.

- NAFTA, CAFTA, outsourcing, unfair trade – those are the wrong policies to grow Michigan's economy.

- The Governor's economic plan invests in people while improving the business climate.

- Her plan will create jobs today, diversify economy to create jobs tomorrow, invest in training workforce, invest in making sure that every child has access to college and every citizen has access to affordable health care.

- Governor is going anywhere, doing anything to create jobs – and companies are choosing Michigan. Her plan is beginning to pay dividends in communities around the state:

  - Missions to Japan have attracted more than 1,000 new jobs and over $200 million in new investment in communities like **Novi, Battle Creek, Adrian**, **Wixom**, and **Grand Rapids**.

  - The Governor helped convince **Keebler** to move from Chicago to Michigan, creating 300 new jobs in **Battle Creek** and another 350 in **Wyoming**.

  - The Governor's leadership helped convince **Whirlpool** to consolidate their administrative operations from Iowa and Illinois into **Benton Harbor** – that's another 400 new jobs.

  - In **Greenville**, Electrolux outsourced jobs to Mexico. Granholm brought jobs here to replace them – she fought to get United Solar Ovonic to choose Greenville over Orangeburg, South Carolina for their new plants – creating hundreds of jobs.

  - In **Detroit** and **Three Rivers**, the state helped convince American Axle to keep jobs in Michigan, instead of sending them to Mexico.

  - Cobra Motorcycles moved its manufacturing facility and headquarters from Ohio to **Hillsdale**, Michigan, creating 70 new jobs.

  - Advanced Photonix, a California technology company, moved their offices in California and Wisconsin offices to **Ann Arbor**, creating almost 70 new jobs.

  - In **Holland**, the state convinced Tiara Yachts – one of community's biggest employers – to expand in Michigan, not in North Carolina. They moved their North Carolina *and* Florida operations to Michigan, creating 400 new jobs in West Michigan.

  - Hemlock Semi Conductor chose to expand in **Saginaw County**, creating 463 new jobs, thanks to the support of the Granholm administration.