

Fall 2010

HTPG to Expand in Scottsboro and Relocate Headquarters

HTPG (formerly Witt and then Carrier HTP), which was purchased by Monomoy Capital Partners, L.P., has chosen their Scottsboro facility to consolidate and expand operations. They will make significant capital investments in machinery, tooling, and building.

The decision to choose Scottsboro over their other location in Arizona means the retention of 319 manufacturing jobs, and will add an additional 121 jobs including 35 headquarters jobs, which will be moved from California.

JCEDA has worked aggressively on this project as it has been under consideration for many months, but it finally came to fruition the past two months. This move creates a platform here with a huge upside potential for employment, product development, etc. The company has been a good corporate citizen since 1998 and we are delighted to see them stay here and grow!



NAEC Receives Broadband Grant

Broadband internet and cable service will come to North Alabama Electric Cooperative's (NAEC) customers in Jackson and Marshall Counties due to 19.1 million dollars in federal stimulus funds. NAEC was one of six projects funded in Alabama. The funds are part of Recovery Act Investments in broadband projects designed to bring jobs and economic opportunities to communities throughout the country.

Although many grants require a match of up to 50 percent by the recipient, NAEC was one of the few that received a 100-percent grant. They will be required to complete two-thirds of the project within three years, and are prepared to begin the project as soon as they receive instructions from USDA.

We commend Bruce Purdy, NAEC Manager, and his staff for all the hard work that went into the grant application process. Congratulations!

Bellefonte Moves Forward

A dozen community leaders from Jackson County attended the August 20 TVA Board meeting, and six spoke in support of Bellefonte. We were thrilled when they voted to allocate \$248,000,000 toward the continued engineering and development of Unit I at Bellefonte. This project will be one of the largest in the history of Jackson County and has a lot of people excited and smiling. An increasing number of people are now working there, and the local merchants are happy. This will be a very deliberate and involved process and we look forward to seeing many positive impacts on the local economy and commend the TVA Board of Directors and senior leadership for their bold decision.

TVA Up & Running



Spec Building Before and After:

TVA has fashioned a state-of-the-art training center after purchasing the 36,000' spec building located in the shovel-ready Jackson Co. Industrial Park.



TVA began training and in-processing workers for nuclear power plant outages on September 15th at the TVA In-Processing and Training Center in Hollywood.

A small group toured the facility on the 21st and the transformation from spec building to training facility is amazing. Vega Construction, GC, did an outstanding job with an extreme schedule.

We welcome TVA to the Jackson County Industrial Park, and wish them success! An open house will be held later this fall.

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Existing Industry Support

The 17th annual Industry Appreciation Day golf tournament and boat ride was a huge success! The weather was nice and we had a great turnout. This event, jointly sponsored by JCEDA and the Greater Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, is held each year at Goose Pond Colony.

In the Industry Division, Smurfit Stone Container Corporation earned First Place Gross, and Maples Industries, First Place Net. Lozier Corp. earned Second Place Gross and Polyamide High Performance, Second Place Net.

In the Open Division, First Place Gross went to the team of Bruce Yates, Sam Arnold, Tyler Nelson, and John Noles. First Place Net went to the team of Norman Johnson, Steve Campbell, Roy Hall, and Blake Wright.

David Starling won "longest drive," Norman Johnson, "longest putt," and "closest to pin" were Tyler Kennamer, Sam Arnold, Bishop Dawson, and Clint Kirkland.

Another way we support our industries is the AIDT Training courses for supervisors. We recently held the Leadership Training I class, and participants who are eligible may enroll in Leadership Training II scheduled for November 3 and 4 at Northeast Alabama Community College's workforce building. The cost is \$30, which includes breakfast, lunch, and snacks on both days. To register, contact JCEDA or go to our website and click on the "Events" tab.

Sanoh

The Sanoh America expansion in the Scottsboro Industrial Park is well underway. This is their 4th expansion in 10 years and will add approximately 36,000' to their facility and 40-50 new jobs. Sanoh continues to aggressively grow their business in Jackson County and they are excited to be adding capacity. They serve OEM's in the Southeastern US and have grown with the auto industry in the South. They utilize state-of-the-art robotics and supply Honda, Nissan, Toyota, and many others.



Ind. Div. 1st Place Gross winners: Smurfit Stone team members David Starling, David Smelley, Jim Foshee, and Tom Evans.



Ind. Div. 1st Place Net winners: Maples Industries team members Brent McCrary, Mark Maples, and Mike Arnold. Not pictured is Ray Anderson.

Spotlight on Allies

The Alabama Development Office plays a vital role in the economic development activities of JCEDA. Established in 1969, their primary mission is to create jobs in Alabama. They market the State to industries and seek to have them relocate or expand their existing operations here.

ADO Director Neal Wade leads his team in their efforts to grow Alabama's economy by broadening the industry base. They work projects to benefit both the companies and the citizens of Alabama.

The ADO team of Neal Wade, Linda Swann, David Hutchison, and Pete Schaum were instrumental in helping Jackson County win the HTPG project.

JCEDA appreciates ADO and we wish Neal Wade future success as he returns to his former organization, The St. Joe Company, on November 1st.



Neal Wade