

Clinton Regional Development Corp.

Fall Greetings!

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Showcasing Our Successes

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On August 6, 2009, during the "Showcasing Our Successes" event held at the Clinton Marina Amenities Building, the Clinton Regional Development Corporation displayed the many local and regional projects that have been completed, or are in progress, over the past five years. Telling the story through thirteen posters with two PowerPoint presentations proved to be a great show and somewhat overwhelming.

Riverfront projects have created and continue to create a beautiful showcase for the Mississippi River. Fulton is looking forward to opening its new Cultural Center this fall, and the Wild Rose Casino just finished its first year of operation in the new location. Communities on both sides of the river are developing projects with the Union Pacific Railroad. This will help in easing the congestion of rail traffic and provide for better flow of product via rail. And, even more important, is the Second Phase of the Liberty Square Project that continues to improve the flow of U.S. Highway 30 through the region. These are just a few examples of the presentations.

The most important part of the information was the listing of monies received by the region since 1999 from the trips taken to Washington D.C. As of June 2009, \$60,994,968.00 have been returned to the local communities through lobbying and trips. These relationships continue to be important in assisting our communities to complete their goals for growth and attracting new business and industry.

Many THANKS to everyone who attended, participated, and helped prepare for this celebration of "Showcasing Our Successes."

Fundraising For An Extension

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The Clinton Regional Development Corporation (CRDC) Board of Directors passed a motion to ask investors to continue their investment at the present level for another year. After more than 20 interviews with private and public investors, the recommendation was to continue with a one-year campaign. The economy provides much uncertainty at this time with businesses unable to predict when the turn is going to happen for their industry.

CRDC Board Members will be calling on each of the Quality Jobs Investors prior to September 15, 2009. Along with the visit, each investor will receive an update of activities of the CRDC.

The callers look forward to meeting with our investors. During the calls, we encourage business and industry managers to ask questions about our activities and what they believe the organization should be doing for the region.

INNOVATION -

Right Here

In River City!



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The Summer issue of *Global Corporate Xpansion*, a trade journal with which CRDC frequently partners, features the Bioplastics Council and plans to educate and to promote uses for the products of its six charter members. Three of these charter members will produce bioplastics exclusively: Cereplast, NatureWorks, and Telles.

Why should you be interested? Because Telles is the joint venture of Metabolix and ADM, and their first production plant is due to begin operations right in our back yard.

Still under construction, the plant already employs approximately 90 people and is scheduled to begin producing product by year-end. The bioplastic, Mirel, is created by a process where dextrose from corn, is broken down by bacteria. The process to create a bioplastic is truly innovative, and we are excited that ADM has chosen to make this investment in our region. We believe this is a testament to our communities and the people who live and work here.

More information about Mirel is available at: www.mirelplastics.com

Air Quality

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issue of Air Quality continues to be a dominant topic with our environmental professionals. On Tuesday, September 1, 2009, the Clinton Regional Development Corporation (CRDC) hosted a meeting for public health administrators, county board of supervisors, mayors, city administrators, community development officers, and CRDC Board of Directors to learn what some of the issues are related to fine particle pollution and what the economic impacts could be to our region if fine particle pollution issues are not addressed.

This is a serious topic for our region. The meeting was well attended and Representatives from the Iowa Departments of Natural Resource Air Quality Bureau and Iowa Department of Economic Development gave the presentation. If you have any questions pertaining to this issue, please check out the Iowa DNR Air Quality Bureau website at www.iowacleanair.com.

Welding Classes Started

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The Camanche, Clinton and Northeast Community School Districts have combined together to create a welding lab at the Clinton Community High School. Between forty and fifty students have registered and started classes on August 24. Taking the welding classes provides college credit for these students.

Thank you to the many businesses and companies that provided supplies, equipment and volunteer hours to make this state-of-the-art welding lab a reality. Thanks to the three District Superintendents for providing another area of study for secondary students. An "Open House" is being planned for later this semester.

Activity Score Card



Since 1953, the Clinton Regional Development Corp. has offered professional, client-driven site selection services. Our goals are to enhance the regional business climate, attract new investment, expand existing industry, and encourage quality new jobs.

A "scorecard" tracking our sales and marketing activities is available to our investor on our website: www.clintondevelopment.com

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Investors who would like more details about our current project mix,

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