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AGENDA

Taking Education, Economic Development and Employment to the Next Level: Going for the Green

DAY 1 (January 20)

- 9:00 Registration Begins
11:00 Exhibits Open
12:00 Opening Plenary Luncheon
Governor Mark Parkinson and Acting Secretary of Commerce Bill Thornton
1:00 Break and Exhibit Visitation
1:15 *A Regional Approach to Workforce Creation & Retraining in the New Energy Economy*
Daniel Stenberg, Staff Member, Midwest Governors Association, Washington D.C. The MGA fosters regional development to attain greater efficiency in state administration, facilitate interstate cooperation and improve intergovernmental relationships, and provide a medium for the exchange of views and experiences on subjects of general importance to the people of the Midwestern states.
2:15 *Time to Update: What's New in Kansas?*
Stan Ahlerich, President, Kansas, Inc.; *Joseph Glassman*, Chairman, Post-Secondary Tech Ed Authority; *Caleb Asher*, Department of Commerce; and *Sam Cline*, Kansas Department of Corrections.
3:00 Break and Exhibit Visitation
3:15 *Mean, Green, Economic Machine: Economic Recovery from NAWB*
Ron Painter, Chief Executive Officer, National Association of Workforce Boards. NAWB is the leading workforce association representing the nation's nearly 650 business-led Workforce Investment Boards and serves other associated organizations in the workforce with one common goal: Helping America Work.
4:15 Break and Exhibit Visitation
4:30 *Directions from the Institute for a Competitive Workforce*
J. Domenic Giandomenico, Director, Education and Workforce Programs, Institute for a Competitive Workforce. The ICW promotes higher education standards and effective workforce training systems so that they are aligned with each other and with today's rigorous business demands.
5:45 *Reflections from Day I*
6:00 Reception, Cash Bar and Exhibit Visitation
6:30 Kansas Celebration
Banquet and awards program presented by the Kansas Department of Commerce.

DAY 2 (January 21)

- 7:15 Continental Breakfast
8:00 *The 2010 Kansas Legislature: What Can We Expect in Workforce Development Legislation?*
Steve Morris, President, Kansas Senate; *Mike O'Neal*, Speaker, Kansas House of Representatives; *Janis Lee*, Assistant Minority Leader, Kansas Senate; and *Ann Mah*, Kansas House of Representatives.
9:00 *An Update from the U.S. Department of Labor, Washington D.C.*
Byron Zuidema, ETA Regional Administrator, U.S. Department of Labor, presentation followed by Question & Answer Session.
9:45 Break & Exhibit Visitation
10:00 *Summary of Recommended Actions*
Mike Fleming, Attorney, Healy Law Firm LLC, and Chairman, KansasWorks State Board.
11:30 *Key Strategies and Commitment — Eddie Estes*
12:00 Workforce Summit Concludes