# Mississippi Development Authority FRIDAY FACTS

"Partnerships will forever change the economic outlook for our state and heighten Mississippi's position as a world leader in economic development."

> J.C. Burns, executive director, Mississippi Development Authority

## MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HOSTS MEETINGS TO DISCUSS NEW PROGRAM

Visits to Five Cities Scheduled to Explain Economic Development Issues

Economic development partners can gain information on a variety of issues at one of five seminars presented by the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA).

MDA Executive Director, J.C. Burns, Deputy Director, Jay Moon, Senior Advisor to the Executive Director, Michael Booker, Legal Counsel, Steve Pittman, Director of Communications, Sherry Vance and Darienne Wilson, Director, Tourism Development will present a series of briefings across the state to explain the agencies new vision for economic development beginning Monday, December 18.

Information will be provided on the guidelines for the Advantage Mississippi Initiative and House Bill 1301, which relates to tourism development. Also information regarding the new Nissan plant as it relates to suppliers criteria for selection will be explained. The program is free of charge and open to the public.

> PLEASE NOTE THE MEETINGS WILL **NOT** INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING EMPLOYMENT.

Dates and times for the meetings are:

#### Monday, December 18

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Percy Quinn State Park Conference Room

1156 Camp Beaver Drive

#### McComb

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Holiday Inn – Airport

9415 Highway 49

Gulfport

## Wednesday, December 20

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. Clarion Hotel & Convention Center

400 Greymont Avenue

Jackson

## Thursday, December 21

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Ramada Inn

854 North Gloster Street

Tupelo

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Best Western

Highway 61 Cleveland

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NEEDED FOR JACKSON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

The Jackson County Economic Development Foundation is currently accepting applications for the position of Executive Director. For additional information, job description and application, please contact Barbara Travis at MarketLynx Consulting, Telephone: 601-932-9090, Fax: 601-932-9092 or E-mail: <a href="mailto:mktlynx@bellsouth.net">mktlynx@bellsouth.net</a>.

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