



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
**GOVERNOR PAT McCrORY**



Governor McCrory Celebrates a Highway Dedication for Del McCoury with veterans in Mitchell County

Monday, October 28, 2013

## **Governor McCrory Announces 110 Jobs Coming to Gaston County With Owens Corning**



Governor Pat McCrory and Commerce Secretary Sharon Decker announced on Tuesday, October 22, that Owens Corning (NYSE: OC) will establish a new advanced manufacturing operation in Gaston County. The company plans to create 110 new jobs in North Carolina by the end of 2016 and invest more than \$120 million in the NC Certified Gastonia Technology Park.

This Gaston County facility will enable Owens Corning to expand its

glass non-wovens business in North America.

"Owens Corning already has a presence at various facilities throughout the state, and we're thrilled it chose to locate a new segment of its business with us," said Governor McCrory. "Global industry leaders know that North Carolina offers them a strong business climate and skilled workforce, which is what companies like Owens Corning need to succeed."

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## Huber+Suhner Relocate North American Headquarters to North Carolina

On Friday, October 25, Governor Pat McCrory and North Carolina Commerce Secretary Sharon Decker announced that HUBER+SUHNER, a manufacturer of components and system solutions for electrical and optical transportation of data and energy, is relocating its North American headquarters to Mecklenburg County. The company plans to create 50 jobs and invest more than \$3 million in its new Charlotte facility.

“North Carolina and the Charlotte region have become very desirable for companies to locate their U.S. headquarters,” said Governor McCrory. “Our business climate, access to a talented workforce and outstanding quality of life continue to pay dividends as we recruit new companies and encourage existing companies to expand.”

HUBER+SUHNER, a Switzerland-based worldwide company, serves customers in the communication, transportation and industrial markets with cables, connectors, cable systems, antennas and other components.

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## Polymer Manufacturer Expansion Will Bring 76 Jobs to Rutherford County

Governor Pat McCrory and Commerce Secretary Sharon Decker announced on Tuesday, October 22, that Trelleborg Coated Systems US, Inc., a leading manufacturer of engineered polymer solutions, will expand its operations in Rutherford County. The company plans to create 76 new jobs and invest \$10.6 million over the next four years in Rutherfordton.

“Creating new jobs in North Carolina is one of my main priorities. We know that our strong business climate, superior infrastructure and talented workforce are very attractive to advanced manufacturers like Trelleborg,” said Governor McCrory. “We are keenly focused on working with existing businesses to help them expand right here in North Carolina.”

Trelleborg Coated Systems, a division of the Trelleborg Group, headquartered in Lodi Vecchio, Italy, is a leading global supplier of polymer-coated fabrics deployed in several industrial applications. The company is expanding in Rutherfordton with the addition of a new production line to support the growth of the global aerospace market. Trelleborg Coated Systems supplies engineered fabrics for the development of aircraft evacuation slides and life rafts.

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## **Governor McCrory Opens New Rocky Mount Facility at Hospira, Bringing 200 Jobs**



Governor Pat McCrory attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony for a new facility at Hospira, the world's leading provider of injectable drugs and infusion technologies. The pharmaceutical manufacturer unveiled a new quality and analytical testing laboratory at its Rocky Mount facility on Wednesday, October 23.

As a part of this latest expansion announced in 2012, Hospira is creating 200

additional jobs and investing more than \$85 million.

"This new facility further demonstrates that advanced manufacturing is growing in North Carolina," said Governor McCrory. "Our state's highly-skilled workforce has helped build one of the strongest bioscience clusters in the nation."

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## **Turnip Greens Grown at Prison Farms Donated to NC Food Banks**

Governor Pat McCrory announced on Wednesday, October 23, that approximately 6,700 pounds of fresh turnip greens harvested at the state prison farm at Caledonia Correctional Institution are being delivered to the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina.



The donation is part of the state of North Carolina's effort to bolster the inventory of the state's food banks in the wake of the partial federal shutdown. On October 14, Governor McCrory released \$750,000 from state funds to seven regional food banks.

"North Carolina's food banks always need donations, but the shutdown led to additional strain," said Governor McCrory. "The work that these prisoners are doing is yet another way our administration is working toward helping those in need through food donations."

Wednesday's donation was the first of four planned deliveries of turnip greens harvested by inmates to the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina. The Department of Public Safety has committed to deliver 26,800 pounds of turnip greens, but the amount could increase depending on the demand of food bank patrons and the size of the harvest.

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## Heritage Foundation: "A Conversation with a Reformer: How the States are Leading the Way"



Governor Pat McCrory sat down with Heritage Foundation Vice President of External Relations, Becky Norton Dunlop, on Monday, October 21. In a discussion titled "A Conversation with a Reformer: How the States are Leading the Way," Governor McCrory talked about some of the challenges facing North Carolina and the reforms that have been initiated to solve them. Included in the discussion were tax and transportation reforms, economic development reorganization, and changes to the State Personnel Act.



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[Watch a post-discussion interview and read more here](#)

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## **Governor McCrory Addresses the North Carolina Bankers Association, Talks Reforms**

Governor McCrory addressed the North Carolina Bankers Association on Tuesday, October 22 in Pinehurst. The governor discussed with Thad Woodard tax and regulatory reform and how the McCrory administration is improving the business climate and restoring confidence to employers and people looking for jobs. These reforms, along with others in education, transportation and commerce, were cited as key to improving North Carolina's economy, education system and operational efficiency.



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## **Governor McCrory Announces Additional Funding**

## for Transportation Rural Planning Organizations

Governor Pat McCrory announced on Friday, October 25, additional funding for Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs) that will assist the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) with transportation. While the amount of work for the RPOs has increased over the years, funding has not. To help cover the costs of these additional responsibilities, NCDOT is increasing the amount of funds granted to each RPO by \$8,800-\$11,000.

"North Carolina's rural communities have been hit hard by the recession," said Governor McCrory. "It is important that we do everything possible to better connect people in these areas with jobs and opportunities. The Department of Transportation's funding and support of our Rural Planning Organizations will seek to do just that."

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## Governor McCrory Tells Christian Businessmen Faith is Critical to Leadership



Governor Pat McCrory addressed a crowd of more than 400 at the Christian Business Men's Connection leadership breakfast on Thursday, October 24 in Durham. The governor spoke about his faith and the importance of leadership.

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## Honoring Dorothy Helms

On Friday evening, October 25, Governor McCrory presented Dorothy Helms with North Carolina's Order of the Long Leaf Pine. The wife of the late senator Jesse Helms was presented the award at a fundraiser benefiting a high school free enterprise education program administered by the Jesse Helms Center. Mrs. Helms was a prominent journalist and a mother of three children. The governor congratulated her for her contributions to the state and work with the Jesse Helms Center for education and research.

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## Del McCoury Highway Dedication

The governor was north of Bakersville in Mitchell County Saturday, October 26, to dedicate a stretch of NC 261 to bluegrass legend and Grand Ole Opry member Del McCoury. A North Carolina treasure, McCoury was honored with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine at the dedication.



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