

With the announcement of Nissan's decision to locate its (30 million investment in Mississippi, 4,000 direct jobs and up to 26,000 indirect jobs are being created for Mississippians. This project gives us the opportunity to change the economic and business climate of our state forever. The Mississippi Development Authority has proudly been a part of this project from its inception, and works continually to promote and provide economic development opportunities and create a higher standard of living for people across our state.

With this new project, Mississippi has the opportunity to improve our economic landscape and our competitive position in the national and international marketplace creating more jobs for Mississippians. With this announcement, Mississippi has the prospect for economic prosperity for all our citizens. 97% of the landowners involved in the acquisition of property for this project have closed on their properties. It is the Mississippi Development Authorities responsibility to protect the taxpayers dollars while being fair to landowners.

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This project happened with the spirit of cooperation and the Governor's vision bringing good jobs, economic growth and national and international attention to Mississippi. Our state now has the tools in place to compete against other states for business and industry looking to locate or expand.

We are committed to working together with cities, counties, state and local government, the Governor, Congressional Delegation and the Legislature to achieve good things for our people. Working together, we are creating a better quality of life for the people of Mississippi and making Mississippi America's State of Promise.