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**GOVERNOR MUSGROVE ANNOUNCES 300 JOBS FOR  
HARRISON COUNTY**

**Future Pipe Industries to Locate in Gulfport**

JACKSON, Miss., - Governor Ronnie Musgrove along with Future Pipe Industries executives announced today that the company will locate a \$7.5 million plant in Gulfport, Mississippi. The project, the company's first United States operation, will create up to 300 jobs over a five-year period. Future Pipe, a leading manufacturer of high performance, anti-corrosive pipe systems will be located on a 25-acre site in one of Harrison County's industrial parks, the Bernard Bayou Industrial District in Gulfport.

"I am pleased to welcome Future Pipe Industries as our newest corporate citizen. We appreciate the quality jobs and development that Future Pipe Industries will bring to this community," said Governor Ronnie Musgrove.

The Gulfport facility will be a specialized high-pressure fiberglass pipe manufacturing plant, which will initially create 75 jobs and generate estimated annual sales of \$5-7 million during Phase I.

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“Mississippi is serious about job creation. We’re competing around the country and around the world. We are recruiting new business, retaining existing business, and making a difference in Mississippi,” said Robert J. Rohrlack, Jr., executive director, Mississippi Development Authority.

“Future Pipe Industries location in Mississippi is further evidence of the strong business climate that exists in our state. We have proven that we can compete in the global marketplace and will continue in our efforts to bring quality, high paying jobs to our citizens,” added Governor Musgrove.

The foreign national corporation, with operations in Lebanon, Egypt, the Emirates, Oman, Qatar, Dubai, Holland and France, produces pipe systems for the municipal, petrochemical, and industrial markets. Future Pipe Group is a market leader in the Middle East as well as Europe, controlling 70% of the industry in the Middle East and aggressively increasing market share in Europe through strategic acquisitions since 1996.