

*Remarks for the
Gloster Meeting / Georgia-Pacific and Public Officials
November 26, 2002*

- Recognize Mayor Adams / other officials
- Appreciate everyone coming together for meeting
 - Here to discuss closure of Georgia-Pacific
- Obvious concern about immediate impact on the community
 - Loss of 320 jobs
 - Situation forcing us to not just work harder, but work smarter
- Difficult decision for Georgia-Pacific
 - Sluggish national economy impacting companies nationwide
- Here to talk about what we can do to help those affected
 - MDA Rapid Response Team ready to help
- Want to introduce agency heads here today to talk
 - Jim Lott, director of Employment Training Division, MDA
 - Curt Thompson, MS Employment Security Commission
 - Gloria Neal, supervisor of Rapid Response Team
 - Tom Meek, Mary Martha Dixon, Debbie Hudson with Southcentral MS Works Local Workforce Investment Area
- Would ask them to discuss services they offer, then open floor for discussion