

Mississippi E-Commerce
Wednesday, November 1, 2000
11:00 a.m.
Beau Rivage Resort

Opening

- Good Morning
- It is a pleasure to be here this morning
- (Story)

Main Points

1. E-Government Commission
 - a. As the environment in which we do business changes, so must the environment in which we conduct the public's business
 - b. Advancement of Technology in every part of the world, is moving the expansion of e-commerce at the "speed of light"
 - c. We have to keep up to be competitive, but we don't want to be "just competitive", we want to lead the nation and the world
 - d. I have created a task force to explore and implement e-government

- i. Make the government more customer friendly
- ii. Make the government simple and easy to access
- iii. We want Mississippi's e-government to lead the nation and serve as the model for other states

2. Mississippi Technology, Inc. & the Institute of Technology Development

- a. MTI promotes and coordinates science and technology-based economic development, while the Inst. Of Technology Development focuses on technology commercialization for the State of MS
- b. Dr. Angie Dvorak is the new CEO/President MTI & the Inst. Of Technology Development
- c. Dr. Dvorak has a long history of promoting the value of technology-based economic development and will do an outstanding job of helping to bring quality, high paying jobs to the people of Mississippi.
- d. Dr.Dvorak will also bring about a coordinated effort to pull together all of our resources, coordinating among MTI,

ITD, the MS Development Authority, other existing entities and the private sector.

Closing

- Future of Mississippi is bright
- I am listening to the people of Mississippi
- We all have to work together
- I am working to make Mississippi an even Better place to live, work and visit
- America's State of Promise, where promises are fulfilled