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Chicago Metro Second Among Top Areas for Corporate Locations

Illinois Also Among Top 10 States

HUNTLEY, IL– March 7, 2012. Huntley Village Manager David Johnson, addressing the Chamber of Commerce at its semi-annual business update gathering, announced that the Chicago Metro Area ranked second on the list of communities with populations in excess of 1 million for the number of new and expanded corporate facilities in 2011. Illinois ranked seventh among states, an improvement over last year’s eighth place ranking, in the annual analysis by Site Selection magazine, one of the nation’s premier corporate real estate and economic development publications.

**Top 10 Metro Areas: Population > 1 Million
New and Expanded Facilities in 2011**

Rank	Metro Area	State(s)	Facility Count
1	Houston	TX	195
2	Chicago	IL, WI, IN	167
3	Pittsburgh	PA	141
4	Dallas-Fort Worth	TX	140
5	New York	NY, NJ, PA	129
6	Cincinnati	OH, KY, IN	114
7	Philadelphia	PA, NJ, DE, MD	113
8	Washington DC	DC, VA, MD	112
9	Atlanta	GA	105
10	Tampa-St. Petersburg	FL	95

Source: Conway Data, Inc.’s New Plant Database

**Overall Top 10 States
2011 Governor’s Cup**

Rank	State	Facility Count
1	Ohio	498
2	Texas	464
3	Pennsylvania	453
4	North Carolina	310
5	Virginia	273
6	Georgia	234
7	Illinois	216
8	Kentucky	198
9	Tennessee	190
10	Louisiana	181

Source: Conway Data, Inc.’s New Plant Database

Johnson stated, “ Despite the economic issues facing our nation the past several years, Chicago and Illinois remain a destination for business, both domestically and internationally, due to our strong geographic presence and significant industry base. And Huntley, as part of the Metro Chicago area remains one of the most cost competitive, business-friendly locations in the entire Midwest for business expansion. With over \$100 million in infrastructure improvements including our new interstate interchange scheduled for a construction start in just a few months, and the completely reconstructed Illinois Rt. 47, Huntley is uniquely positioned for growth.”

The Governor’s Cup, issued by Site Selection magazine, is regarded by corporate real estate analysts as “the industry scoreboard.” Site Selection is the official publication of the Industrial Asset Management Council (IAMC, at www.iamc.org).

Strategically located in suburban Chicago at the crossroads of Interstate 90 and Route 47, Huntley provides all the transportation, labor, and utility benefits of being located in the Chicago market. Huntley holds the significant advantage of being located among the fastest growing and lowest costs areas in the Midwest. Combining high growth, low cost, and now full interstate access, Huntley provides a superior location for your business. Think Huntley First!

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