



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HALEY BARBOUR, GOVERNOR
MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
GRAY SWOOPE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 10, 2010

Patricia Thomasson
Chief Executive Officer
Thomasson Company
P.O. Box 490
Philadelphia, Mississippi 39350

Dear Pat:

On behalf of Governor Haley Barbour, and the Mississippi Development Authority, I congratulate you on being chosen as a District Winner for the 2009 Governor's Cup Awards. Thank you for the valuable contributions that you and your employees make to both your local community and the State of Mississippi.

The Governor's Cup Awards, including the announcement of the statewide winners, will be presented along with the Mississippi Economic Development Council (MEDC) Community Economic Development Awards during the annual MEDC Summer Conference being held in Biloxi at the Beau Rivage Resort on the evening of Thursday, July 22, 2010. The district winners nominations are currently being sent to the judges to determine the statewide winners. All winners (business and nominating entity) must be present to win.

The economic development entity that nominated you is receiving a packet of information with details on hotel reservations, banquet seating and other information we will need to ensure a smooth event. The nominating economic development official will contact you and work closely with you to gather the information we need.

If you have any questions, contact your local developer, or call Valerie Crout or Elizabeth Taylor with the Existing Industry and Business Division at 601-359-3593.

Again, congratulations and thank you for actively participating in this prestigious awards program. We look forward to seeing you in Biloxi.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gray Swoope", written over a horizontal line.

Gray Swoope
Executive Director

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