

MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 13, 2007

TO:

Michigan Economic Growth Authority

FROM:

James Donaldson, Vice President

Michigan Business Development

SUBJECT:

Briefing Memo - Delphi Automotive Systems LLC

Retention Credit

COMPANY NAME AND ADDRESS:

Delphi Automotive Systems LLC 5725 Delphi Drive Troy, Michigan 48098

HISTORY OF COMPANY:

Delphi is one of the largest global suppliers of vehicle electronics, transportation components, integrated systems and modules and other electronic technology. Delphi supplies products to nearly every major global automotive equipment manufacturer. Delphi has diversified its customer base through its technological and manufacturing core competencies and is making increasingly significant contributions in communications (including telematics), computers, automotive aftermarkets, consumer electronics, energy and the medical devices industry. Delphi has established an expansive global presence, with a network of manufacturing centers, sales offices and joint ventures located in every major region of the world.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Delphi Automotive Systems proposes to house research and development, engineering and business functions associated with automotive and non-automotive products in Auburn Hills, Michigan to consolidate several leased and owned facilities into a single location. Up to 1,077 jobs will be retained in the State of Michigan and an additional 40 jobs will be relocated to the State. The average wage of these jobs is approximately \$39.75 per hour.

The project involves about \$42M of total spending including about \$22M of capital. Building and site improvements are planned, as well as relocation of engineering process equipment and significant investment in new Information Technology.

Other sites that are being considered include our Tech Centers in Mexico, China and Poland.

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BENEFIT TO STATE:

According to the economic analysis done by the University of Michigan utilizing Regional Economic Models, Inc. software, it is estimated that retention of the company's manufacturing facilities will retain a total of 2004 jobs in the state by the year 2015. We also estimate that the project would maintain total state government revenues through the year 2015, net of MEGA cost and adjusted for inflation, of \$83.8 million (2007 dollars) due to the retention of this facility.

BUSINESS CASE:

The company must achieve cost savings and efficiencies in every facet of its operations and is looking at every possibility to identify and pursue operational efficiencies and savings. Delphi must choose whether to locate engineering talent in Michigan or at lower cost facilities in Central Europe, Asia or Mexico.

OTHER STATE AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE:

The company has met with local officials. Auburn Hills has expressed full support for the project and expects to transfer an existing real property tax abatement to Delphi and proposes a 50% abatement of personal property taxes for 8 years for equipment new to Michigan tax rolls.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Michigan Economic Development Corporation recommends a seven year employment credit with a 100 percent credit for the first year and a 35 percent credit for years two through seven for the retention of up to 1077 jobs in Michigan.

As required by the MEGA statute, this credit is subject to a clawback should the company not meet certain contractual requirements.