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## **Senator Anderson Announces New Companies, Jobs Coming to Wayne County**

LANSING- Today, State Senator Glenn S. Anderson announced that the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) approved Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) incentives for two new facility expansions in Wayne County.

“These are exactly the sort of business investment that we need to turn Michigan’s economy around,” said Anderson. “We must use the assets that we have to revitalize our economy. We have the strong workforce and economic development tools necessary to encourage a diverse and attractive business climate. These investments represent steps in exactly the right direction and I am thrilled that they will be creating jobs in the communities that I represent.”

Among the projects funded is the SEIU Member Action Service Center, which plans to invest \$3 million to create a shared organization in Redford Township. The project will create 322 new jobs, including 224 directly by the organization. More information on the company can be found here: <http://seiuaction.org/miseiu/home.html>.

Additionally, A123 Systems Inc., a manufacturer of rechargeable lithium-ion batteries will launch their future headquarters and production facilities in Wayne County, including their flagship site at 39000 W. Seven Mile Rd. in Livonia. Today, A123 Systems was approved for an Anchor Jobs incentive, and in April 2009, the MEGA board approved a tax credit for the company’s project to develop initial coating, cell manufacturing, and pack assembly. The company plans to invest more than \$600 million in the project and over time, it is expected to create 5,000 jobs. More information on A123 Systems Inc. can be found here: <http://www.a123systems.com/>.

These two projects combine with 10 other recently announced projects that are expected to create 2,245 new jobs (883 direct and 1,368 indirect), retain 11,254 jobs, and generate over \$791 million in new investment in Michigan.

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