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Wayne County Airport Authority to Co-Host Local Business Opportunity Forums...

~ Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti forum is first of five business forums airport authority is co-sponsoring with the State of Michigan to inform public about doing business with Detroit Metro and Willow Run airports, as well as other state and local agencies

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2003 DETROIT, MI: The Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA), which operates Detroit Metro and Willow Run Airports, today announced it will be hosting the first of five business forums targeted at providing information to local companies regarding airport business opportunities. The forum will be held in Ann Arbor on Wednesday, June 18, 2003 from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon at the Washtenaw County Community College, Morris Lawrence Building, located at 4800 E. Huron Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

The Wayne County Airport Authority has teamed up with the State of Michigan to co-sponsor four business opportunity forums being held in: Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti on June 18, Troy on June 24, Detroit on July 17 and Livonia on July 29. In addition, the airport authority will be hosting a fifth business opportunity forum in Macomb County, later this summer (Specific details regarding this forum will be announced at a later date).

“This is an exciting opportunity for the authority to reach out to all vendors in southeast Michigan and show them how easy it can be to do business with us,” said Renee Marsh Director of Purchasing for the Wayne County Airport Authority. “I look forward to meeting with businesses in the Metro Detroit area, and showing them how to do business with our new airport authority.”

The business forums will provide opportunities for businesses to meet one-on-one or around the table with buyers from various federal, state, and local government offices. Representatives from the Small Business Administration and Internal Revenue Service will also be available to provide up-to-date information and answer questions.

“The Wayne County Airport Authority is a regional entity, that serves all of Southeastern Michigan and beyond,” said Genelle Allen, VP Procurement / Performance and Contract Compliance for the Wayne County Airport Authority. “We want to inform companies from this entire region that the airport authority’s doors are open and we are interested in drawing upon the vast talent and experience of businesses in this area.”

For more information, directions and maps to the business forum locations visit www.michigan.gov/doingbusiness or call the Wayne County Airport Authority’s Purchasing Office at (734) 247-7900.

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