



THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS

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ENNIS, TEXAS: SUCCESSFUL INDUSTRIAL EXPANSIONS

Today, more than forty (40) industries and industrial support businesses call Ennis, Texas their home. Since 1999, these industries have created more than 2,089 new industrial jobs (currently, Ennis industries employ over 4,000 workers). Between 1990 and 2009, the City of Ennis has authorized forty-nine (49) tax abatements to corporations generating an investment of \$616,115,992 in the City of Ennis, Texas.



"The location in Ennis was ideal for ASMO because of its positive growth, proximity to major highways and proactive future planning," said ASMO Manufacturing President, Sam Tada "Ennis is clearly a city with a bright future and we are excited to contribute to the community."

- *ASMO Groundbreaking Ceremony, August 5, 2005*

ENNIS, TEXAS: A REPUTATION FOR PROFESSIONALISM

ASMO Manufacturing, Inc. (ASMO) broke ground on Friday, August 5, 2005 for a 35,000 square-foot manufacturing facility that is located within the Ennis Industrial Park (4601 Sterilite Drive). The ASMO manufacturing facility will ultimately become 500,000 square feet. The new ASMO facility began operations in 2006 and will manufacture automotive windshield washer products for Toyota Motor Manufacturing Texas, Inc. located in San Antonio.

During the groundbreaking ceremony, Greg Alberda, Plant Manager for ASMO Manufacturing, Inc. in Ennis, Texas stated: "We're pleased to be coming to Ennis and believe that the city has a high caliber workforce and is a friendly community. Together these things make Ennis an ideal location for our newest plant." Ennis is located near several current and potential customers. The decision to build a facility in Ennis, Texas is based upon the proximity to these customers and the cooperation and hospitality extended by both state and local governments.

"A CLEAR AND DEFINED STRATEGY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT"

Both companies [ASMO Manufacturing, Inc. and JTEKT Steering Systems of Texas, LP] eventually chose Ennis as their new home. About 45 miles south of Dallas, the city of about 18,500 has carved a formidable niche as one of the state's most aggressive small-town players for manufacturing jobs pouring into the state. - *San Marcos Daily Record* - Newspaper, "Economic Development Success Seems to be in the Eye of the Beholder". Brad Rollins - Staff Reporter. July 30, 2005

ENNIS, TEXAS: AN EFFECTIVE STRATEGIC PARTNER

Recognizing the advantage of strategic alliances, the City of Ennis has formed effective strategic partnerships with the Texas Economic Development Department (TxED), the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce (GDC), Ellis County, the Ennis Economic Development Corporation (EEDC), the Ennis Independent School District (EISD), ONCOR Electric Delivery Company, and the Ennis Chamber of Commerce. These integral affiliations have allowed the City of Ennis to position itself at the forefront of the competition for continued industrial and economic growth well into the new millennium.

The City presently owns approximately 380 acres of fully developed industrial property and is the home to more than 40 industries and industrial support businesses that employ more than 4,000 workers. During the past eight years more than \$506.6 million in capital investment has been made by industries in the city and more than 2,084 new industrial jobs have been created.

ENNIS, TEXAS: PROVEN TO BE A SUPERIOR LOCATION!

The City of Ennis has consistently demonstrated a long-term, proven record of success in industrial retention and recruitment. With forty-nine (49) industrial expansion projects successfully completed since 1990, the City of Ennis has established its ability to form strategic partnerships and to achieve common objectives with its industrial partners.

... Our future is bright, your choice is clear:

✓ THE ENNIS ADVANTAGE!