

Quick Start Serves Companies Across State



Havertys

Georgia's own Havertys company, the retail furniture giant, broke ground for a new distribution center in Jackson County this past September. The 500,000-square-foot building is expected to be completed later this summer. The facility will employ 300 people. Pictured are (l-r) Steve Schingler, vice president, Havertys; Jim Steed, deputy commissioner, GDITT; Jackie Rohosky, assistant commissioner, Economic Development Programs, DTAE; Henry Braselton, mayor of Braselton; Randal Pugh, president, Jackson EMC; Jay Slater, president, Havertys; Harrold Fletcher, chairman, Jackson County Chamber of Commerce; Rawson Haverty Jr., senior vice president, Havertys; and Jack Rooker, contractor, Rooker & Associates.



ALPLA

A training plan signing was held with ALPLA Inc. in McDonough, Ga., this past August. The company will specialize in custom blow-molding of high precision plastic bottles for customers such as Clorox. Fifty people will be hired. Pictured are (l-r) Bob White, executive director, Henry County Executive Development Authority; Jeff Lynn, director, northern project operations, Quick Start; Kurt Berkman, senior vice president, ALPLA; and Ed Sherwood, director, corporate training and economic development, Clayton College and State University.



Shrimp Project Hatched in Perry

Gov. Roy Barnes was on hand for the launch of the Georgia Marine Shrimp Project in Perry this past fall. Quick Start was asked to document the shrimp farming process for this innovative new industry, which the governor hopes will help boost Georgia farmers' prospects for diversification. The event was held at the Cagle chicken processing plant in Perry, where the first shrimp are being raised.



Dempster.....

Royce Glenn, Quick Start training coordinator, explains the features of the training plan signed recently with Dempster Equipment Company. Seated (l-r) are Dr. Ruth Nichols, president, North Georgia Technical College; Michael Bilthius, president, Dempster Equipment; and Jeff Lynn, director, northern project operations, Quick Start. The company, located in Toccoa, manufactures waste-handling equipment. Twenty-five new jobs were added at the facility.