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Progress Arkansas Welcomes Mitsubishi Wind Turbine Plant

Little Rock, Ark./October 16, 2009 – On Friday Mitsubishi Power Systems Americas Inc. announced a \$100 million investment in Arkansas through the construction and operation of a wind turbine manufacturing facility in Fort Smith, Arkansas. It is estimated that the new 200,000 square foot facility will create as many as 400 new jobs.

Progress Arkansas, a coalition advocating for economic, environmental and energy policies that will benefit Arkansas, views the Mitsubishi announcement as an important and positive development for not only the Fort Smith region, but for all of Arkansas.

“Today’s announcement illustrates that the combination of energy and economic initiatives can mean real benefits and good-paying jobs for Arkansans,” said Progress Arkansas Executive Director Scott Carter “Mitsubishi’s investment in Arkansas will pay dividends for years to come.”

About Progress Arkansas: Established in October 2008 under the leadership of Chairman Bob Lamb, Progress Arkansas is a coalition of business and community leaders dedicated to moving Arkansas forward. Our mission is to build consensus and support for economic, energy and environmental policies that will facilitate growth and prosperity for Arkansas.

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