



## **Did You Know?**

• Michigan's life sciences sector includes more than 540 companies, nearly 32,000 employees and accounts for \$4.8 billion in annual sales. Michigan has the fourth largest high-tech work force in the nation.

 Michigan has 3,126 miles of Great Lakes shoreline (more freshwater coastline than any other state). Anywhere in Michigan you are no more than 85 miles from one of the Great Lakes.

Employment by

Sault Ste. Marie Marquette 75 ů Saginaw Flint Grand Rapids 📩 Lansing Kalamazoo 😧 Capital Main highways Railways **J** Ports

Selected Corporate Company	Facility Pro City	<mark>jects 2009</mark> County	Туре	N/E	Frounci	Investment (in millions)	Employment
Xtreme Power/ Clairvoyant Energy	Wixom	Oakland	MF	Ε	Solar Panels and Energy Storage Syste	\$725 ems	3500
KD ABG MI, LLC	Midland	Midland	MF	Ν	Advanced Manufacturin	665 g	885
A123 Systems Inc.	Livonia	Wayne	MF	E	Lithium-Ion Automobile Batteries	600	
Ford Motor Company	Wayne	Wayne	MF	Е	Automobiles	390	
Compact Power Inc./ LG Chem Ltd.	Holland	Ottawa	MF/F	Ν	Lithium-ion Batteries	303	
Johnson Controls-Saft Advanced Power Solutions LLC	Holland	Ottawa	MF	E	Lithium-Ion Automobile Batteries	220	498
Continental Dairy Products, Inc.	Coopersville	Ottawa	MF	Ν	Food Processing	103	70
General Electric Co.	Van Buren	Wayne	RD	Ν	Research and Development	100	
Wonderstruck Studios LLC/Detroit Center	Detroit	Wayne	OF	E	Animation Production	86	413
MF = Manufacturing OF = Office HC	2 = Headquarters RD	= Research & Developi	ment CC = Conta	ct Center D	W = Distribution/Warehou	ise N = New E = Ex	panded

## **Legislative Update**

 Gov. Granholm signed into law legislation that provides a potential \$335 million in refundable tax credits to encourage companies to develop and manufacture advanced batteries and commercialize advanced battery technologies in Michigan. The law authorizes the Michigan Economic Growth Authority to provide refundable tax credits totaling up to \$335

million over five years for the research, development and manufacture of battery packs used in hybrid plug-in vehicles; vehicle engineering that supports battery integration; advanced automotive battery technology engineering; and the construction of integrated battery cell manufacturing facilities.

## In Michigan, innovative companies can get their start just about anywhere, from a boardroom to a dorm room.



In 1996, Saylor Frase, President of Nuspire Networks, was a student at Central Michigan University starting a fledgling web development company. Today the company he co-founded with Steve Whitener is one of America's fastest growing Managed Network Security providers with a global client list that includes Fox Broadcasting, Subaru, GM and ADP.

Location has been a big part of this success. That's because Michigan has helped Nuspire grow with key business support and financial resources. If you're an entrepreneur with a great idea, look into our aggressive financial incentives, world-class universities and high-tech workforce. Log on to **MichiganAdvantage.org** today and find out how we can give you the Upper Hand.

