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**The year's top projects
testify to a renewable vigor in
industrial development.**

The Tata Nano (pictured above left) will eventually be made at a new plant in Sanand, Gujarat, that was literally moved from the initial plant site in West Bengal after civil unrest there threatened the safety of workers and made the nearly complete plant untenable.

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The most salient criterion for choosing our top corporate facility deals of 2008 could be perseverance. Indeed, even with delay and caution being the watchwords of the day, most are still turning dirt across the globe despite the sinkholes of the recession. Our Top Deals are determined by level of capital investment, degree of high-value jobs, creativity in negotiations and incentives, regional economic impact, competition for the project and speed to market. Here are the winners, presented in alphabetical order.

North America

AREVA Enrichment Services

Idaho Falls, Idaho

\$2 billion 1,500 jobs

AREVA put forth its plan to establish this facility in the U.S. in May 2007 before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the race was on. From an initial 200 sites the company's team, led by Sam Shakir, general manager, strategic enrichment, used its "multi-attribute utility analysis" matrix of 39 technical, environmental, operational, and economic criteria to winnow the number of finalists to 10 sites in six states, including New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Virginia and Washington.

Central to the deal were Grow Idaho Falls Inc., the Eastern Idaho Economic Development Partnership, the Regional Development Alliance and the Idaho Dept. of Commerce, as well as the indirect influence of the Idaho National Laboratory. Early in the state's 2008 legislative session, those groups were crucial in convincing elected officials to change the state's sales tax exemption statute to allow "processors" as well as "manufacturers" to benefit, and to similarly alter the state's property tax formula in order to qualify AREVA for exemption. The measures put Idaho on a par with the other states.

"One thing we saw was a complete alignment between state and local government and their federal representatives here in Washington," [Shakir told Site Selection](#).

Cessna Aircraft

Wichita, Kan.

\$780 million 1,009 jobs

"The critical element in winning this project was quick passage of legislation to provide up to \$33 million in bonds," writes Barbara Hake, business recruitment manager for the Kansas Dept. of Commerce. "The initiative involved the joint efforts of the Governor [Kathleen Sebelius], Commerce Secretary and key legislators working within a tight time frame to meet the company's needs for the project. Other key factors included a partnership between the city and county to provide additional funds, along with support from the airport authority in addressing lease issues associated with the company's facilities." The Wichita Airport Authority consolidated 11 existing leases for Cessna into one 50-year lease agreement. And the local incentive package from Wichita and Sedgwick County included \$10 million in forgivable loans.



The Cessna Citation will be assembled at a new plant in Wichita, Kan.

The area's already skilled work force will be further bolstered by two new aerospace resources that were also influential in Cessna's decision: the the National Institute for Aviation Research at Wichita State University and the \$54-million National Center for Aviation Training at Jabara being built in Wichita with local and state support.

Foxconn

San Jeronimo, Chihuahua, Mexico

\$185 million 9,350 jobs

Important to the Foxconn deal was a meeting in Beijing between Foxconn CEO Terry Guo and Mexican President Felipe Calderon just two weeks before the Olympic Games. Also important in the choice of the site over a competing site in Reynosa was federal approval of a free trade area — something that had been in the works in Chihuahua for four years. Francisco "Pancho" Uranga, a native of Chihuahua City who formerly led the industrial development agency for the State of Chihuahua now is corporate vice president and chief business operations officer for Foxconn in Latin America, Mexico and Brazil, reporting directly to Guo. [He told us](#) that the free trade area makes the 440-acre (178-hectare) San Jeronimo site more competitive than anywhere else along the entire U.S.-Mexico border.

Among the project's incentives, the State of Chihuahua will construct a new highway from Juarez to the site. The state also kicked in a payroll tax incentive, training funds and assistance on electricity cost. A new international rail crossing, which already has the support of the State of New Mexico and the Mexican federal government, is in the works. Other factors influencing the deal included the lightly traveled border crossing at Santa Teresa, and consolidated land ownership. The project figures to have a large economic impact on the bi-national Santa Teresa region. Foxconn already employs some 12,000 at other Mexican operations.

Hemlock Semiconductor Corp.

Clarksville, Tenn.

\$1.2 billion 900 jobs

Hemlock, Mich. \$1 billion, 300 jobs

These two projects [went hand in hand](#), as the polysilicon manufacturing firm, 63-percent owned by Dow Corning, moves forward in its home state of Michigan and in new territory: a 1,200-acre (486-hectare) certified TVA Megasite in Clarksville, Tenn., where ground was broken in March 2009. HSC supplies about a third of all silicon used in manufacturing solar panels and electronic devices worldwide. The combined investments could approach \$3 billion when all is said and done.

The Michigan Strategic Fund board recently approved a \$6.9-million CDBG grant to Thomas Township to make public infrastructure improvements needed for the expansion. It's the company's fourth expansion in Michigan in four years. But as Greg LaMarr, communications manager for Saginaw Future Inc., relates the story, Michigan was not even in the running for this next wave of investment by Hemlock. He says the challenges were energy costs, infrastructure needs and investment diversification, so Michigan needed incentives to level the playing field. Hemlock got them, in the form of the establishment of polysilicon energy credits, passage of a renewable portfolio standard, new state incentives for anchor employers and a strong



Johnny Piper (left), mayor of Clarksville, Tenn., and Tennessee Gov. Phil Bredesen celebrate Hemlock Semiconductor's choice of a megasite in Clarksville for a \$1-billion polysilicon plant.

focus on alternative energy by Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Economic Development Corp.

For Tennessee's part, the TVA site came out atop a list of 70 candidate sites worldwide. The economic development team was headed as always by the Tennessee Dept. of Community and Economic Development.

MPI Research

Kalamazoo, Mich.

\$330 million 3,300 jobs



Michigan contract research organization MPI will be expanding at its home campus in Mattawan (above) as well as in two former Pfizer buildings in downtown Kalamazoo.

As Paul Morgan, general counsel for contract research organization MPI, explains elsewhere in this issue ("North American Life Sciences Centers," p. 360), this project was considered for other company sites in State College, Pa., and Nanjing, China. But a

negotiation to acquire two buildings from Pfizer for \$10 cinched the deal for Kalamazoo.

"When Southwest Michigan First originally began working on this project, Pfizer indicated that it would never transfer the buildings to any private company — it would demolish them first," says Ron Kitchens, CEO of Southwest Michigan First and General Partner of the organization's Life Science Fund. "Yet Pfizer transferred them to MPI Research. We were told that Michigan, a state that couldn't get a budget passed in nine months, would never create an enterprise zone for a single-use project. Yet it did it in one week. What Southwest Michigan First has learned is to take the words of Winston Churchill to heart: 'Never, never, never give up.' "

Schott Solar

Albuquerque, N.M.

\$100 million 350 jobs

The German company's plan calls for a \$500-million investment and up to 1,500 employees by 2012. Mark Finocchiaro, president and CEO of Schott Solar, [told Senior Editor John McCurry](#) in our March 2008 issue that there were not a lot of 100-acre (40-hectare) sites out West that fit Schott's criteria, in a contest that began with 12 states in the running. Locations in the northwest and northeast, plus another southwestern state, were also in contention.

"We started with 75 sites after we narrowed it down to five states," he said. Ultimately his team looked at approximately 25 sites, and picked Albuquerque's Mesa del Sol master-planned community, where Advent Solar had opened its own facility in early 2007. Finocchiaro said New Mexico kept surviving as ever more stringent filters were applied, including overall business environment and work-force availability.

In addition to federal incentives, other Albuquerque attractors included good Interstate highway access, proximity to key solar PV module and concentrated thermal power plant markets in the Southwest and to the solar energy research center at Sandia National Laboratories, and the state's renewable portfolio standard.

Shaw Group

Lake Charles, La. (with Westinghouse)

\$100 million 1,400 jobs **Baton Rouge, La.**

(retained corporate headquarters)
1,500 new jobs statewide over 10 years

This pair of landmark projects arrived in August from a company that has called Louisiana home ever since it started 21 years ago as a pipe fabrication shop. Today the provider of technology, engineering, procurement, construction, maintenance, fabrication, manufacturing, remediation and facilities management services employs 27,000 worldwide.

"After an extensive search of potential sites, the Port of Lake Charles was chosen because of its deep water access, its proximity to other important modes of transportation and the availability of a skilled work force," said J.M. Bernhard Jr., Shaw's chairman, president and CEO, of the partnership with Westinghouse Electric that will build modules for the nuclear power industry. The joint venture will operate as Global Modular Solutions. "The state of Louisiana also offered a very competitive incentive package that will help us continue to create value for our shareholders," he said.

As for the Baton Rouge headquarters and statewide job growth pledge, the company promises to add 150 professional jobs (\$50,000 salary minimum) annually through 2018, and to keep its HQ in Baton Rouge at least through 2023. Among the project's suitors was North Carolina.

Spirit Aerosystems

Kinston, N.C.

\$570 million 1,000 jobs

As reported in [our November 2008 interview with James Cocca](#), director of facilities for Spirit, the company's projects in Kinston and in Wichita, Kan., represent a combined investment of more than \$830 million and potentially as many as 1,700 jobs. The projects come from the world's largest supplier of commercial airplane systems and components, which has major facility projects under way or just completed on three continents. Cocca's global footprint team at Spirit keeps a roster of prospective sites at the ready.



The Spirit AeroSystems facility will open in Kinston in 2010. The construction update photo on the right is from April 2009, showing the transportation corridor connecting the manufacturing and support areas.

One of them was the North Carolina Global TransPark in Kinston, a long-simmering project in its own right. Spirit will build a 500,000-sq.-ft. (46,450-sq.-m.) complex there to do work for the Airbus A350 XWB (Xtra Wide-Body) commercial aircraft. The customer's identity was a key factor.

"The fuselage panels have to go to Europe for final assembly. So, the keys were location and logistics," said Cocca. Spirit will link to the Port of Morehead City via a 5.5-mile (8.9-km.) spur to be constructed from Norfolk Southern's line to the Global TransPark. "The day we received the award from Airbus was the day we announced we would be building that product in Kinston," he said. "That's the proactivity we are looking for, to be ready with sites."

North Carolina was proactive to the tune of a 20-year, \$200-million incentive package, which Cocca told us "really put us over the top in North Carolina." So did a "highly skilled, underemployed work force, much of it coming from the textile and furniture industries," whose skills will translate well to Spirit's composites manufacturing processes.

The Golden Leaf Foundation contributed a \$100-million grant to the Global TransPark Authority for construction of the Spirit facility, and is following that up with community assistance grants to Kinston and Lenoir County.

Vestas Wind Systems

Windsor, Brighton and Pueblo, Colorado

\$700 million 2,750 jobs

For the complete story of how this multi-faceted series of projects came to fruition — even after it appeared to meet a dead-

end — turn to the Colorado Spotlight on p. 385 of this issue. Among the factors that led Vestas to originally pick Windsor for its first plant, according to Kjýr Lundý Jakobsen, vice president, business development, Vestas Blades A/S, were a short-line railroad connecting to both BNSF and UP lines; work-force quality and size; higher education and research resources in the region, a professional response with a single point of contact and a business-minded "bureaucracy."

There were at least 26 partners involved in assembling the sequence of deals and a \$50-million incentive package, including the Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade, Metro Denver Economic Development, Upstate Colorado Economic Development, all three cities and counties, six utilities and three railroads. Several Vestas suppliers, such as Hexcel and Creative Foam, are already expanding in Colorado. The Vestas plants are due online in November 2009.

Volkswagen

Chattanooga, Tenn.

\$1 billion 2,000 jobs

After years of flirtation with several large project opportunities, including the Toyota project that went to Tupelo, Miss., in 2007, the Enterprise South TVA Megasite met its match [when VW picked it](#) over finalist sites in Huntsville, Ala., and Michigan in July 2008. "It was truly a very close competition," David Geanacopoulos, director of industry – government relations for Volkswagen of America, told us. "There was no individual factor that necessarily made the difference all by itself. But if I had to identify one, it was the readiness of the site, within the context of our aggressive timetable, which made it possible for us to move forward with the greatest confidence in Chattanooga." The first above-ground piece of the complex was erected in early April 2009. The company still hopes to be producing vehicles there by 2011, as it aims to sell 1 million vehicles in the U.S. by 2018.

A team of 25 people from The Staubach Co. (prior to its merger with Jones Lang LaSalle) helped VW narrow its list of 100 candidate sites in the eastern and central U.S. to 25, then to a dozen, then to the finalists. Unlike other states where special legislation is often necessary to approve deal-specific incentives, in Tennessee all appropriate incentives were already in place. Meanwhile, the team at the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce, headed by Trevor Hamilton, assembled no less than 2,750 pages of documentation for the VW team in the first quarter of 2008 alone. The redevelopment of the former army munitions site has meant approximately \$75 million invested in the site and its infrastructure by the

Honorable Mention Deals of 2008

American Titanium Works

Laurens and Greenville, S.C.

\$435 million 330 jobs

(For more on this project, read the South Carolina Spotlight in the May 2009 issue of Site Selection. The Web edition of the story will be posted on May 28.)

[AREVA/Northrop Grumman](#)

Newport News, Va.

\$363 million 540 jobs

[Austal](#)

Mobile, Ala.

\$120 million 1,100 jobs

Essar Steel Minnesota

Nashwauk, Minn.

\$1.6 billion 700 jobs

GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy Americas

Wilmington, N.C.

\$704 million 900 jobs

[NetJets](#)

Columbus, Ohio

\$200 million 735 jobs

[Peak Sun Silicon](#)

Millersburg, Ore.

\$718 million 500 jobs

[REC Silicon](#)

Becancour, Québec

\$1.2 billion 300 jobs

Shire Pharmaceuticals

Lexington, Mass.

\$394 million 680 jobs

(For more on this project, read the New England Regional Review in the May

state, city and county, including a \$23-million Interstate interchange gamble.

2009 issue of Site Selection. The Web edition of the story will be posted on May 14.)

International

Bosai Minerals Group Co.

China

Linden, Guyana

\$1 billion 1,000 jobs

This alumina plant will be the largest single investment in Guyana's history. According to press reports, Guyana President Bharrat Jagdeo said the investment "almost approximates the size of the gross domestic product."

Pending completion of a feasibility study, the project will occur in a community that had fallen into economic decline since the first wave of bauxite mining in Guyana. In late February, the company reiterated its commitment to the project since the grade of bauxite produced is in higher demand than metal-grade bauxite. A fall in demand for the latter has forced Bosai and others to make job cuts.

The feasibility study for the project is slated for completion by the end of 2009. In the meantime the company is investing millions in other aspects of its overall bauxite operations. Other aspects of the company's investment plans, which follow on its 2007 acquisition of a Canadian concern, include approximately \$10 million in equipment upgrades, include agriculture and forestry projects, and the re-establishment of an apprenticeship institute.



The Bosai agreement with Guyana is just one of many major investments made by Chinese entities in developing economies around the world. The eventual scope of the planned bauxite project will make it the largest investment in Guyana's history.

China Union

Bong, Liberia

\$2.6 billion 3,000 jobs

Emblematic of a strong surge of Chinese corporate capital into Africa, the China Union Investment Co. has pledged the largest investment thus far in the two-year-old administration of Liberian President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf. This project worked in reverse from most economic development deals: The quarry was not the company, but a quarry itself. The company, a consortium of Chinese private-sector interests with significant public-sector support, was the winner in a bidding process to operate the Bong Ranges iron ore mining site, with a master plan that includes a new hydropower plant to serve the area, and agricultural and livestock fields. The company may also be investing in a forthcoming free zone to be established in the Liberian port city of Buchanan, though details have yet to be set in stone.

Daimler

Kecskemét, Hungary

\$1 billion 2,500 jobs

Announced in June 2008, this plant will churn out smaller Mercedes car models. The site beat out options in Ujazd, Poland, and Romania. "We are planning a new plant in Hungary to boost our competitiveness and to gain access to the potential of the Eastern European markets," Daimler Chairman Dieter Zetsche said. An MOU was signed a month later. In addition to spelling out land acquisition and project development milestones at the 990-acre (400-hectare) site, the MOU also addresses a planned rail connection and construction of an access road to a feeder road of the M5, the country's north-south connection.

The company will invest nearly three quarters of the Hungarian investment amount at its existing plant in Rastatt, Germany, to make similar compact models, and the two plants will work in concert going forward.

German media reports in February 2009 held out the possibility that faltering GM division Opel might sell one of its plants,

in Eisenach, to Daimler, making the Hungarian investment potentially unnecessary. However, in early March, Zetsche confirmed the project would go forward, though three months of planning permission holdups have driven the completion date from 2010 into 2011, with production slated for 2012.

Digital Display Devices

Campania, Italy

\$1.4 billion 1,000 jobs

This liquid crystal display manufacturing deal raised as many eyebrows as it did hopes. In an August 2008 presentation, Thomas Pearsall of the European Photonics Industry Consortium stated, "These plants lose money in Asia. How can DDD do better in Europe?"

With \$285 million in co-investment funds by Development Italia as compatible with European Commission state aid rules, that's how. The aid was approved by EU authorities in part because of the high unemployment rate in Campania. In a plan in the works since 2005, the company, a division of Videocon, pledges to invest some \$43 million in education and training and another \$125 million in R&D. An MOU was signed in February 2008 in the company's home territory in India that calls for the building of a 1.7-million-sq.-ft. (163,000-sq.-m.) plant in the Township of Rocca d'Evandro.

The plant will be the first thin-film-transistor-LCD panel plant in Europe.

Masdar

Ichtershausen, Thuringia, Germany, and Abu Dhabi, UAE

\$230 million 180 jobs

The investment and jobs numbers above relate only to the Abu Dhabi energy company's initial spend on a new photovoltaic production plant that will produce the world's largest PV modules. That plant is the first phase of Masdar's planned \$2-billion investment in thin-film PV solar manufacturing. Masdar selected Germany because it is "a leading global center for PV technology." The 70MW plant, slated to begin production in 2009, will be a model for a 140MW plant in Abu Dhabi that should begin production by the third quarter of 2010.

"Abu Dhabi's geography and our vision to become a world leader in renewable energy, makes thin-film PV a natural area of focus for Masdar," said Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, CEO of Masdar. "Germany, with its technology, highly skilled work force, attractive investment climate, and direct access to the European market, make it an ideal partner for Masdar."

Masdar is driven by the Abu Dhabi Future Energy Company (ADFEC), a wholly owned company of the government of Abu Dhabi through the Mubadala Development Company. In January 2008, Abu Dhabi announced it will invest \$15 billion in Masdar, the largest single government investment of its kind. In addition to the PV plants, Masdar is building [a self-contained sustainable community](#) called Masdar Eco-City, and is involved in the construction of several solar power plants in the UAE and in Spain, the latter in partnership with Spanish engineering group Sener.



National Instruments

Penang, Malaysia

\$80 million 1,500 jobs

Announced in November 2008 and scheduled to open in 2010, the project will be located on a 17-acre (6.8-hectare) site. It's the first plant in the ASEAN region for the Austin, Texas-based maker of computer-based measurement and automation hardware. A full 28 percent of the company's 5,000 worldwide employees are in R&D.

"Our goal in Malaysia is to be major center in manufacturing as well as R&D globally by 2015 when the plant is running at full capacity," said Dr. James Truchard, National Instruments CEO, at the announcement. According to press reports, another official declared that by 2015, the Penang site could be driving as much as 40 percent of revenue, in part because of its proximity to a booming Asian market. "Malaysia's strong university system, skilled engineers and IT

HONORABLE MENTION: A renewable diesel plant similar to this one in Finland will be constructed in Rotterdam, Netherlands, by Neste Oil at a cost of approximately US\$1 billion. Scheduled to open in 2011, the project follows on a similar investment in Singapore, which will open in 2010. Neste is working towards a target of completely non-food raw material use by 2020, and is cooperating with over 20 universities and research institutions globally as part of that R&D program. Photo by Erkki Ollikka, courtesy of Neste Oil

professionals, regional infrastructure, favorable business climate and proven success of supporting global high-tech companies attracted National Instruments to the country," read the company's official announcement. "The close proximity of the new facility to Asian markets also makes it possible for the company to respond more quickly to customer demand in the region and provide better access to software and hardware services such as product calibration."

"We want to thank the Malaysian Industrial Development Authority and Invest Penang for their professional assistance in helping us realize our plans for the facility" said Rob Porterfield, vice president of manufacturing at National Instruments.

Peru LNG

Melchorita, Peru

\$3.8 billion

PERU LNG is a partnership between Hunt Oil Company of Dallas, Texas (Project Leader, 50 percent); SK Energy of South Korea (20 percent); Spain's Repsol YPF (20 percent) and Marubeni of Japan (10 percent). According to the final report on the project's various aspects, published in February 2009 by the Inter-American Development Bank, "PERU LNG has already obtained the construction permit from the competent Port Authority – APN (National Port Authority)" for construction of the LNG plant and marine facilities in the coastal town of Melchorita.

"PERU LNG is the largest single private-sector project in Peru's history and will be one of the most significant contributors to Peru assuming a much more active role in the world economy," said Barbara Bruce, General Manager, PERU LNG, in June 2008, when the project received \$2.25 billion in loans from 13 third-party credit agencies to finance construction of the project. The International Finance Corp., part of the World Bank, signed onto a \$300-million chunk of that total. In addition to the coastal development, the overall project includes a new 254-mile (408-km.) pipeline that will connect to an existing pipeline network east of the Andes.

Renault-Dacia

Mioveni, Romania

\$930 million 660 jobs

"After Ford's arrival in Romania and investments worth 675 million [euros, or about US\$1 billion], Renault accepted ... the challenge, because these investments stipulated for the next three years will join the [already considerable] investments that have overrun 1 billion euros so far," said Romanian Prime Minister Calin Popescu-Tariceanu in May 2008 as the Renault-Dacia gearbox factory was inaugurated — the latest milestone in a growth curve that began in 2006.

The gearbox factory is one part of the complex that produces the Logan automobile, with all production slated for export. At the inauguration, the prime minister said he hoped to interest Renault executives in his proposal for an industrial and supplier park in Campulung, where a factory which made the Aro offroad vehicle recently shut down. According to published reports in October 2008, his wish was coming true, as Landmark Management, a real estate development firm owned by Nicolae Ratiu, pledged to invest some \$105 million in that property's redevelopment, with lease promises from parts suppliers Lear and Nobel Plastiques already in the works.

Sanyo

Quang Chau Industrial Zone, Bac Giang, Vietnam

\$95 million 12,000 jobs

Sanyo broke ground in September 2008 on this 646,000-sq.-ft. (60,000-sq.-m.) electronic component manufacturing complex, slated for completion in 2010. The facility, located in the Quang Chau Industrial Zone operated by the Kinh Bac Urban Development Joint Stock Co., is the company's third factory in Vietnam.

The Sanyo parcel takes up 1.5 million sq. ft. (144,000 sq. m.) on the zone's 1,053-acre (426-hectare) spread. It is expected to export more than \$300 million worth of product annually.

Vietnam continues to grow its electronics industry at a titanic pace, with other recent major projects in the past two years

from Tyco Electronics (2,000 employees) and Foxconn, which is pledging \$5 billion toward plants in Bac Giang and Bac Ninh provinces.

Tata Motors

Sanand, Gujarat, India

\$417 million 2,000 jobs

It was arguably the [site selection story of the year](#): Tata had chosen a site in Singur, West Bengal, where it had been working for the past two years to construct an automotive plant that would employ 2,000 in the manufacture of the Nano mini-car, known as "the people's car." Instead, some of those people, including displaced farmers, mounted increasingly violent protests at the construction site, driving Tata, whose project was near completion, to move the project to a new site in Gujarat.

"The site in Gujarat will help Tata Motors establish a new dedicated mother plant with the shortest possible time lag and least possible incremental project cost," said Tata Motors Chairman Ratan Tata, noting that the land was already under state government possession. Indeed, the West Bengal government had been unsuccessful in convincing some 2,200 of 13,000 landowners to accept its offered monetary compensation for the Singur plant site.

As reported by Executive Online Editor Jack Lyne, the Sanand site spans 1,100 acres (440 hectares), including a 300-acre (120-hectare) supplier park. Tata is paying the Gujarat government approximately \$82 million for the site, and will end up spending about 20 percent more than the budgeted outlay in West Bengal.

Despite high demand, the delay in the new plant has meant Tata can produce only up to 50,000 cars in the model's first year, using existing factories. In March 2009 the \$2,000 Nano made its debut to worldwide fanfare.

International Honorable Mention Deals of 2008

Bosch

Zhuhai, China

\$58 million 1,500 jobs

BSS Steel Rolling Mill

Abese, Ogun, Nigeria

\$145 million 1,000 jobs

Neste Oil

Rotterdam, Netherlands

\$1 billion 100 jobs

Rolls-Royce

Singapore

\$221 million 330 jobs

(For more on this project, read the Southeast Asia Spotlight in the May 2009 issue of Site Selection. The Web edition of the story will be posted on June 18.)

The Silicon Mine

Sittard/Geleen, Netherlands

\$617 million 400 jobs

Goodyear

Dalian, China

\$500 million

Ford

Chennai, India

\$500 million 1,500 jobs

Ricoh Co.

Rayong, Thailand

\$92 million 1,200 jobs

NorSun

Jurong, Singapore

\$300 million 300 jobs

Wacker Schott Solar

Jena, Thuringia, Germany

\$375 million 600 jobs

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