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WEDA Applauds Governor Doyle's Key Economic Development Initiatives

Madison – The Wisconsin Economic Development Association (WEDA) supports Governor Jim Doyle's commitment to growing Wisconsin's economy through his recently announced Next Generation Manufacturing, Innovate Wisconsin and Accelerate Wisconsin plans. These plans set the stage towards creating a business climate that can effectively compete in today's global economy.

Many of the economic development initiatives outlined by Governor's Doyle have been positions advocated by WEDA, including: additional funding for the Wisconsin Manufacturing Extension Partnership; consolidating Wisconsin's tax credit programs; expanding the number of creditable activities eligible for tax credits to include worker training; and increased funding for angel investors and/or venture capitalists.

"Increasing the number of resources available to entrepreneurs, businesses and investors alike are the types of economic development tools necessary to foster a competitive business environment", commented WEDA President Lisak. "We look forward to working with Governor Doyle, his administration and the State Legislature to ensure that these pro-economic development initiatives are implemented and executed."