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Tubetech North America, Inc. Goes South of the Border
East Palestine's Largest Employer Joins Ohio Governor,
Ohio Companies on Trade Mission to Mexico to Generate
New Business for Ohio

East Palestine, OH - In an effort to generate new business and create new jobs in East Palestine, executives from Tubetech North America, Inc. joined Ohio Governor Bob Taft on a trade mission to Mexico earlier this fall.

Tubetech, Inc., which produces and markets quality engineered welded steel tube for standard and customized applications for the auto and appliance industries, is one of East Palestine largest employers with more than 50 employees. Currently, Tubetech produces steel tubing for a number of Mexican companies.

"We have had great success with Mexican businesses and participating on this mission will help us to build on and expand our opportunities in Mexico," said Jonathan Roscow, Vice President of Sales for Tubetech North America, Inc. "We were able to meet face-to-face with key business and government leaders of Mexico and begin to establish new relationships that we believe will create new business and growth for our company."

Roscow was accompanied on the trip by Mario Villanueva, Tubetech North America's Chicago based Sales Representative for Mexico. They were part of a 44-member delegation representing 36 Ohio companies on the trade mission to Mexico led by Governor Taft. Mexico is Ohio's second largest export market, behind Canada, with nearly \$2.4 billion in sales in 2005.



Mario Villanueva, Jon Roscow, Mr. Ezequiel Lopez (Plant Manager) Mabe,
Governor Bob Taft