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Ohio's Wake-Up Call

**Cuno ruling gives urgency to sweeping tax reform plan.
Timken exec says governor's plan 'gives Ohio an advantage.'**

Exploring New Frontiers

There is some evidence from recently announced corporate investments that Ohio may already be on its way back.

On Feb. 1, **Boeing** announced plans to move an aircraft-guidance center from Texas to Heath in Licking County after state officials said they would provide more than \$2 million in incentives.

Boeing will move 35 jobs from suburban Dallas to its 775,000-sq.-ft. (71,998-sq.-m.) Heath operation in the Central Ohio Aerospace and Technology Center, formerly known as the Newark Air Force Base. Boeing already has about 600 workers at the center, which does work on navigation and guidance systems for the U.S. Armed Forces.

Boeing, which is investing about \$4.2 million in the expansion project, was swayed by several factors: the willingness of skilled workers to relocate to Heath; an ability to duplicate the one-of-a-kind anechoic chamber in Texas; and the incentives package prepared by the state, local government and the Heath-Newark-Licking County Port Authority.

Boeing and JM represent exactly the kind of high-tech jobs Ohio covets. The state's Third Frontier Project is designed to seed and lure high-wage technology companies.



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BOEING AWACS/ESM PICKS OHIO

At an event keynoted by Ohio Gov. Bob Taft, The Boeing Company announced it had selected its Boeing-Heath facility at the Central Ohio Aerospace and Technology Center for the \$4.2 million expansion of the AWACS/ESM workload.

The expansion project was aided by an over \$2 million incentive package, including a creative financing package developed through the State of Ohio Third Frontier Fund and the Port Authority.



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