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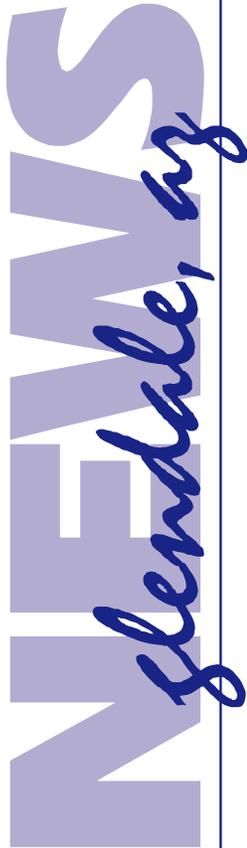
**GLENDALE AIRPARK AN ECONOMIC BOOST
AT NEARLY 100% OCCUPANCY RATE**
Coca-Cola Open House & Tour Celebrates Success Oct. 29

GLENDALE, Ariz. – Space for new business is becoming hard to find at the Glendale Airpark – a situation that Glendale’s Economic Development experts say is a good problem to have. In less than two years, the capacity at the airpark has gone from a little more than half full with a 57-percent occupancy rate to nearly completely full at 94 percent occupied.

The airpark, located at Glen Harbor Blvd. and Glendale Avenue, just off Loop 101, has more than 2 million square feet of office and industrial space but only a mere 6 percent remains available. The entire airpark, zoned light industrial, sits on 416 acres, has four lakes and landscaped common areas. Some of the major tenants include: Coca-Cola, Conair Corporation, Linamar Solar Systems, Parker Hannifin, Protovest, La Dolce Vita, Allied Color, SLT Expressway, Serta and Arizona School Furnishings to name a few.

Glendale’s Coca-Cola and La Dolce Vita, a brand new business to the airpark, are two of several sponsors of an open house featuring Coca-Cola’s sustainability efforts at its distribution site at 7845 N. 106th Ave., Friday, Oct. 29, from 1 to 3 p.m.

“Due to changes in our local business model, the Glendale Coca-Cola distribution facility is now warehousing and distributing more product and providing work space for more sales personnel than ever before,” said Tammy



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Lambros, Coca-Cola Arizona Market Unit Vice President. “Our incremental growth includes providing products for additional routes as far north as Prescott and providing office and meeting space for sales and merchandising personnel. We are very proud to welcome these additional personnel to the Glendale Coca-Cola facility.”

“Filling space like we have at the airpark also means hundreds of jobs in this challenging economy,” said Brian Friedman, Glendale Economic Development Director. “In the past year, 590 jobs have been created through new or expanded businesses within the Glendale Airpark. All of this continues to show that companies are choosing Glendale as a thriving city where they want to either keep doing business or establish a presence here.”

La Dolce Vita Bakery recently relocated its corporate headquarters, bakery and distribution site to a 41,000-square-foot industrial building at the airpark. The company produces more than 5 million pounds of biscotti each year and immediately created 50 new jobs upon relocating.

“We are pleased La Dolce Vita is in a position to expand and we chose to relocate to Glendale because the size of the facility and the location were perfect,” said Paola Tulliani, Owner of La Dolce Vita Bakery. “We have worked with other qualified city planning teams; however, the city of Glendale has demonstrated a service beyond our expectation. They certainly are the benchmark of quality and service for all cities. They are a fantastic team!”

According to Friedman, part of the success of the Glendale Airpark is due to the aesthetic appeal, skilled local workforce and convenient location right off the Loop 101, which connects to major freeways throughout the Valley within minutes.

For more information about the few remaining, fully improved lots still available at the Glendale Airpark, contact Glendale’s Economic Development Department at (623) 930-2983 or visit

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