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Lucas Oil Products purchases vacant manufacturing facility

In an extraordinary commitment to future growth in Harrison County, Lucas Oil Products has purchased the former Tower Automotive building in Corydon, IN.

The building is less than a mile away from Lucas' existing production complex and was once the manufacturing plant where Tower Automotive made frames for the Ford Explorer. The 350,000 square foot building was vacated in October of 2005 and has been on the market until now.

With a February Unemployment rate of 10.5% and continued concerns about the impact of the sagging world economy, the announcement brings welcome news to this southern Indiana county. "This represents a very positive sign for the economic future of our community", said Darrell Voelker, the Director of the Harrison County Economic Development Corporation. "Lucas has completed two expansions at their existing production plant, encouraged the growth of other local businesses that supply their company, they purchased and operate the LNA & C Railroad and now they are making an even greater investment."

Lucas has been a major supporter of community causes and events in Harrison County and in neighboring communities since locating here in 2002. They currently employ nearly 100 people in Corydon. Specific plans for the building have not been identified by Lucas.

Lucas Oil Products, Inc. is based in Corona, California. The company located a production facility in Corydon in 2002. They produce more than 30 different products including motor oil and fuel additives. Lucas is rapidly becoming nationally known having been a major sponsor in various racing events. The company purchased the naming rights for the new home of the Indianapolis Colts in downtown Indianapolis in 2006. The stadium was completed in 2008 and is called Lucas Oil Stadium.