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Governor, Shanahan Announce Advanced Energy Award for Energy-efficiency Refrigeration Manufacturing Project in Marietta

Columbus, OH – The planned expansion of facilities in Marietta to manufacture an ultra-low-temperature refrigeration system for air transport of pharmaceuticals and other materials this week received authorization for a \$238,870 loan from the \$150 million Ohio Advanced Energy Job Stimulus Program.

Governor Ted Strickland and Mark R. Shanahan, executive director of the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (OAQDA) and the governor's energy advisor, made the announcement following authorization of the loan by OAQDA at its monthly meeting.

Cool Containers, LLC, a spinoff of Farrar Scientific, LLC, of Marietta and the loan's recipient, will use the loan to expand its manufacturing facilities for the production of its PharmaPort 360 cold-chain cargo shipping container. The company has worked closely with transportation, pharmaceutical and diagnostic medicine sectors in the development of the PharmaPort system. The equipment offers significant benefits over dry ice-based technologies and also provides technical advantages over compressor-based systems.

“This project further demonstrates that our commitment to developing advanced energy technologies is enhancing Ohio's position as an industry leader and creating good jobs for Ohioans,” Strickland said. “We're pleased to partner with Cool Containers, a growing business and a great example of our successful targeted investments in advanced energy.”

The Cool Containers project will create 20 new full-time jobs and retain another seven full-time jobs. The total project investment is \$2,751,870. Launch of the PharmaPort 360 container is targeted for late 2010.

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“The Cool Containers project demonstrates that the Advanced Energy Job Stimulus Program is fulfilling its mission to support cutting-edge initiatives that are on a fast track toward commercialization. The program is creating jobs for Ohioans in all parts of the state, and we’re pleased OAQDA can play a role in making that happen,” Shanahan said.

Ohio’s Advanced Energy Job Stimulus Program includes \$84 million for non-coal related technology projects and \$66 million for clean coal projects. The program is part of the Ohio Bipartisan Stimulus Plan signed into law by Strickland in June 2008. Currently, 118 projects are in some stage of the application process. OAQDA is the administering agency for the program.

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The Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (OAQDA) is a non-regulatory government agency created to help Ohio businesses comply with clean air regulations. Through its Ohio Coal Development Office, OAQDA also oversees the State of Ohio’s coal research, development and technology deployment efforts. Since its creation in 1970, the Authority has provided technical and financial help to hundreds of large and small Ohio businesses, awarding more than \$7 billion to finance air quality projects. In addition, the OAQDA Executive Director was appointed the Governor’s Energy Advisor in January 2007. Subsequently, in 2008, OAQDA was named as administering authority for the \$150 million Advanced Energy Job Stimulus Program. For more information about OAQDA and its services, please visit its web site at www.ohioairquality.org.