

Michigan Chamber Of Commerce Applauds Permit Approval For New International Trade Crossing

LANSING, Mich., April 12, 2013 [/PRNewswire/](#) -- Calling it a great day for the entire state, the Michigan Chamber of Commerce today expressed optimism about the state's economic future with the announcement that a key federal permit required to construct the New International Trade Crossing (NITC) has been approved.

"Approval of the Presidential Permit to proceed with construction of the NITC is great news for Michigan," said Michigan Chamber President and CEO Rich Studley. "The Michigan Chamber of Commerce has been a strong supporter of the new bridge because it is an important project that will have a meaningful impact on our economic competitiveness."

"In addition to creating thousands of direct construction jobs, the new crossing will ensure that Michigan-based businesses will have efficient and cost-effective access to markets around the globe," Studley added.

"Governor Snyder has shown bold leadership with his plans to reinvent Michigan and the NITC is another important step to ensuring that businesses will locate and thrive in our great state," noted Jim Holcomb, Senior Vice President, Business Advocacy & General Counsel for the Michigan Chamber. "Building the NITC is a critical improvement in our transportation infrastructure and will allow businesses of all types and sizes to compete and succeed in the global marketplace."

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce is a statewide business organization representing approximately 6,400 employers, trade associations and local chambers of commerce. The Michigan Chamber represents businesses of every size and type in all 83 counties of the state. The Michigan Chamber was established in 1959 to be an advocate for Michigan's job providers in the legislative, political and legal process. It is one of only six state chambers accredited by the U.S. Chamber and one of only four state chambers accredited with distinction.

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