

October 5, 2007

## **MAT Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Held Friday, October 5th**

**Drayton McLane Jr. hosted a grand opening and ribbon cutting with the Temple Chamber of Commerce on Friday, October 5th at 2:00 pm for the new McLane Advanced Technologies building located at 4001 Industrial Blvd.**

### **TEMPLE, TEXAS.**

On Friday, October 5, 2007, McLane Advanced Technologies hosted a grand opening and ribbon cutting to celebrate their new location on the McLane Group campus located on the corner of Loop 363 and Industrial Blvd in Temple, TX. The ceremony began with introductions and comments from Mr. Drayton McLane, Jr., the company founder. Celebrating with him was Congressman Chet Edwards and Congressman John Carter.

Diane Rath, Chair and Commissioner of The Texas Workforce Commission presented a check to MAT and Temple College for a Training Grant. The grant covers technical training for one year. Dr. Marc Nigliazzo, President of Temple College was also present.

From Drayton's remarks the audience learned that "MAT has brought over 200 new jobs to Central Texas since 2004 and 75 employees have relocated from outside of Central Texas." He described the new 32,000 square foot building stating that it will hold 182 employees. Add that to the 20 seats in the Commercial Division building and the 60 in the McLane Group building and McLane Group campus now can hold over 260 employees. Drayton also commented on how MAT not only provides IT and Logistics services to the military, but over 53% of the employees are Veterans. And, over 70% of the employees have college degrees. MAT also boosts the local economy by providing training classes onsite which bring in an average of 10 people a week, which equates to hotel rooms and local dining

The ceremony concluded with the Temple Chamber of Commerce staff and Ambassadors assisting Drayton with cutting the ribbon for the new building. Tours of the new building and refreshments were provided after the ceremony.

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