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**OHIO CONSERVATIVE ENERGY FORUM PRAISES DEWINE/HUSTED ON BRINGING  
AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING JOBS TO LORDSTOWN**

*Deal provides jobs to Ohioans and positions Ohio to lead in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy*

**COLUMBUS, OHIO** --- The Ohio Conservative Energy Forum (OHCEF) congratulates Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted on finalizing a deal to bring 1,100 automotive manufacturing jobs back to the state of Ohio. Today's announcement represents a 2.3 billion dollar economic investment from the two companies.

This morning, General Motors (GM) and LG Chem announced the staffing of a Lordstown-area plant that will focus on battery production for electric vehicles. **This deal was made possible through the perseverance and leadership of Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Husted.**

"Today's announcement is proof positive that Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted are fighting for Ohioans and positioning our state for economic success in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," said Tyler Duvelius, OHCEF Executive Director. "Ohio has always been a leader in innovation. Thanks to strong leadership from the DeWine administration, we will continue our rich history of being at the forefront of technological breakthroughs."

**GM has been utilizing clean energy for over 20 years, saving their company over 80 million dollars.** They are committed to increasing that investment. Duvelius added, "With today's announcement, we hope that the DeWine Administration and the Ohio General Assembly will ensure that GM can procure additional clean energy here in Ohio."

OHCEF looks forward to continuing to work with stakeholders to ensure that a free market allows private company and energy developers alike to pursue diverse energy portfolio that best suit their needs.

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*Founded in 2015, the Ohio Conservative Energy Forum exists to provide a vehicle for individuals, organizations, and businesses to join the conservative conversation about Ohio's energy future.*

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