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**OHIO'S LEADERSHIP IN DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS
ATTRACTS NATIONAL INDUSTRY EVENT**

North American Material Handling and Logistics Show descends to Cleveland showcasing innovative solutions in materials handling and logistics for the supply chain.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (February 10, 2010) –From April 26 through 29, tens of thousands of material handling and logistics buyers from more than 60 countries will convene at the [2010 North American Material Handling and Logistics Show](#) (NA 2010) at the Cleveland I-X Center.

NA 2010 is sponsored by the Material Handling Industry of America (MHIA) and is the most comprehensive showcase of material handling and logistics equipment, systems technologies in the United States this year.

“There will be no better place to address and respond to new and complex manufacturing and supply chain realities than NA 2010,” according to John Nofsinger, CEO of MHIA. “NA 2010 will provide you with reliable information, solid advice and the tools you need now more than ever as you make your capital expenditure and supply chain investment decisions.”

Show management expects over 400 exhibitors and the event will include an educational conference occurring simultaneously with the show's exhibits. The conference will feature prominent [keynote speakers](#) and information on improving productivity in manufacturing and distribution. NA 2010 will also feature a [Supply Chain Summit](#) on April 28.

According to the [Ohio Business Development Coalition](#), the nonprofit organization that markets the state for capital investment, hosting the NA2010 show is a natural fit for Ohio, since the state has developed its own logistics management network, which encompasses the entire spectrum of the supply chain industry.

“Ohio is pleased to host this show every year. With 180 public airports, eight interstate highways, 36 freight railroads and 25 waterfront ports, Ohio provides timely access to many cities and ports

throughout the United States,” said Lisa Patt-McDaniel, director of the Ohio Department of Development. “It makes perfect sense that industry leaders meet annually in Ohio to showcase the latest advances in supply chain and logistics programs.”

Ohio also has many companies dedicated to supply chain management, sourcing and procurement, production planning and scheduling, packaging and assembly, customer service and international trade assistance.

“As competition becomes more global, Ohio's central location and strength in transportation and logistics affords companies the ability to maximize flexibility while reducing supply chain costs,” said Ed Burghard, executive director of the Ohio Business Development Coalition. “Ohio companies are able to ship and receive finished goods, semi-finished products or resources without high transportation costs or expensive delays—Ohio truly is the [State of Perfect Balance](#).”

About the Ohio Business Development Coalition

The Ohio Business Development Coalition is a nonprofit organization that provides marketing strategy and implementation to support Ohio's economic development efforts. For more information, visit www.ohiomeansbusiness.com. For more information on the NA 2010 event, visit www.NAShow.com.

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