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USCM President and Akron Mayor Donald L. Plusquellic to Address Brownfields 2004 Conference in St. Louis, MO

Washington, D.C. – The United States Conference of Mayors President and Akron (OH) Mayor Donald L. Plusquellic will attend the Brownfields 2004: Gateway to Revitalization Conference. On behalf of the nation's mayors, Mayor Plusquellic will address conference attendees during the Opening Plenary Session. Hosted by St. Louis (MO) Mayor Francis Slay, this annual Brownfields conference is the official Environmental Protection Agency forum on brownfields cleanup, redevelopment, and reuse.

The reuse and redevelopment of brownfields, abandoned, idled or underutilized industrial and commercial sites, is both a challenge and an opportunity. Putting these sites back into productive use can serve as a catalyst for local economic revitalization. Conference attendees will learn how contaminated and unwanted properties—be they urban, suburban, rural, waterfront, tribal, or international, to name a few—might be transformed from a liability and expense to an asset and prime development.

This premier national conference attracts over 4,000 developers, finance specialists, community advocates and attorneys to real estate professionals, local and state government employees, academics, nonprofit organizations, and environmental engineers and elected officials.

WHO: USCM President and Akron (OH) Mayor Don Plusquellic

WHAT: Addresses Opening Plenary - Brownfields 2004: Gateway to Revitalization

WHEN: Monday, September 20, 2004 – 3:00pm

WHERE: America's Center
701 Convention Plaza
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

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The U.S. Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. There are 1,139 such cities in the country today, each represented in the Conference by its chief elected official, the Mayor.