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## **Chinese Delegates Visit Alameda County, NUMMI Plant**



Delegates from China met with Alameda County officials and visited the NUMMI plant in Fremont on Tuesday, September 15, 2009. Six of the nine Chinese delegates engaged in a dialogue for potential opportunities to utilize the NUMMI plant in which Toyota announced they will vacate in March 2010 that would leave approximately 4,600 workers unemployed.

County officials and the East Bay Economic Development Alliance (East Bay EDA) have had communication with NUMMI for years and have constantly worked with the Port of Oakland and the State of California to address challenges such as rail and on-time delivery issues. East Bay EDA, County representatives and other organizations have been working on keeping and retaining NUMMI in Fremont; they have been talking with government, business and planning representatives from China for the past few months. Discussions have included bringing green technology, manufacturing and other industrial businesses to the NUMMI plant.

“With the current transportation infrastructure and skilled workforce in the region, the NUMMI plant is very attractive for potential manufacturing industries,” said Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair of the East Bay EDA.

County officials hope to continue communication with China and other countries in the coming months.

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