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## Governor Daniels Honors Gibson County Business with Award for Longevity

**INDIANAPOLIS** (Nov. 14, 2007) — Gov. Mitch Daniels honored a **Gibson County** business for longevity and community service in the statehouse today during the annual Governor's Century and Half Century Business Awards ceremony.

The governor presented **Hansen Corporation** with a Century Award. Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman and Secretary of Commerce Nathan Feltman joined Daniels in honoring all of the Indiana companies for their commitment to Indiana.

"These companies are the foundation of economic growth for our state. Home-grown Indiana companies like these provide the stability and longstanding community involvement that typifies our traditional Hoosier values," said Governor Daniels.

The Governor's Century and Half Century Business Awards honor Indiana businesses that have remained in operation for 100 or 50 years or more and have also demonstrated a history of community service. More than 1,000 companies from across Indiana have been recognized during the 17-year history of the Awards.

Launched in 1907 when founder Julius Hansen designed and built the first automatic bell ringing system for schools, **Hansen Corporation** soon grew to manufacture motors with movements to operate clocks. Today, the company still produces this trademarked motor, which is not only used in clocks, but in a wide variety of applications for heating and air conditioning. The company also produces motors for ATMs, computer printers, and IV pumps.

Nominated by individuals or organizations within the same community, the Century and Half Century Awards honor Indiana's well-established companies and their outstanding contributions to the economic growth and prosperity of the state.

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