# **Chamber of Eco Commerce (CEC)**

Five Reasons You Should Join the 'GreenTech Corridor' in Georgia

#### #1: Access to outstanding and diverse tax incentives for your company

\$3500.00 in state tax credits for new job creation through City of Marietta's Office of Economic Development's Opportunity Zone program.

Federal new market tax credits for commercial development through U.S. Department of Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions Fund.

Tax-exempt and taxable bond financing may be available for industrial development through Marietta Development Authority.

Special discounted electric rates for qualified vacant buildings and qualified electric loads in designated economic development areas offered through the City of Marietta Board of Lights and Water.

Local tax increment financing consideration for redevelopment projects through Marietta Redevelopment Corporation.

A state financing tool to start or expand an eco-friendly product or service or "green" an existing business through Georgia Green Loans.

#### #2: Leverage powerful and versatile existing assets for future growth

Easy access and visibility to I-75 corridor, Highway 41 corridor, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, McCollum Field-Cobb County Airport, and multifaceted Cobb County and metro-Atlanta transit systems.

Close proximity to Southern Polytechnic State University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Kennesaw State University, Life University and Chattahoochee Technical College.

Flex space availability for both start-up and existing energy technology firms.

Access to cutting-edge sustainable technology. (GE Smart Grid)

Close proximity to a highly educated workforce specializing in engineering, architecture, robotics, and sustainable research.

Take advantage of major infrastructure improvements including transportation upgrades and green space enhancements along the Franklin Road corridor.

## #3: Benefit from an ongoing collaboration with business partners

Steering committee comprised of business, academic, and government stakeholders provides a varied and valuable focus and support of renewable energy technology development and promotion.

#### #4: Access to highly educated and diverse workforce

Cobb County ranked the most educated county in the state and 15th most educated county in the U.S.

More than 50% of available workforce has a bachelor's degree or higher.

Local Chattahoochee Technical College (state's largest technical college) assists with green-job transition and training.

### #5: This opportunity won't last long

Collaborate with some of the greatest minds and forward-thinking companies in the world.

Benefit from attractive business incentives and a highly educated workforce.

Become a part of a second-to-none research, development, and implementation community for leading-edge Eco Innovation.

#### The GreenTech Corridor

'We're All in this Together'

**Eco-system.** An ecological community together with its environment, functioning as a balanced unit.

**The GreenTech Corridor.** A business, academic, and governmental collaborative with the region and its environment, functioning as a balanced working unit.

In an ecosystem, every organism interacts within their environment to create a balanced unit of energy to ensure a bright, prosperous, sustainable future for all.

So, too, is our vision for The GreenTech Corridor. We envision a place where government, business, and academia create a balanced unit to share ideas, create jobs, develop sustainable systems, and research renewable energy products to ensure a bright, prosperous, sustainable future for all.

#### Together, we'll collaborate

to transform a easily accessible, asset-rich corridor of public and private land into a world-renowned community of renewable energy development, promotion, and lifestyle.

## Together, we'll innovate

the design of an active multi-use corridor to develop a complete, sustainable ecosystem to build the renewable energy technologies of the future.

#### Together, we'll educate

and demonstrate to the world the affordability, accessibility, and sustainability of renewable energy technologies.