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# THE BUSINESS CASE FOR WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE



"MedSolutions has benefitted significantly from the decision to base our operations in what we consider the heart of our nation's healthcare capital. As home to a growing and vibrant business community, Williamson County offers our company the chance to collaborate with other industry leaders while providing employees with rich quality of life."

Curt Thorne, President & CEO of MedSolutions, Inc.





- A day's drive from 75% of the U.S.
- Interstate 65 and Highway 840 run through Williamson County
- I-40 and I-24 surround and connect creating a grid for easy accessibility and transportation
- 30 minutes from Nashville International Airport serving 48 non-stop markets per day

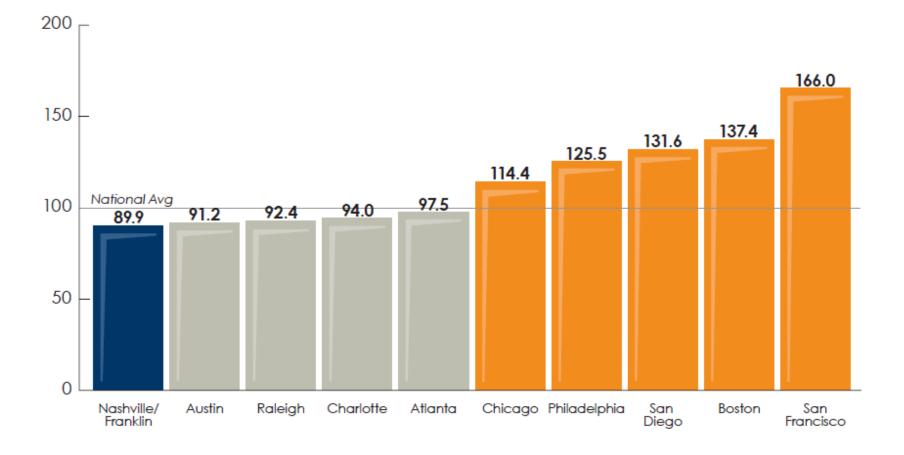




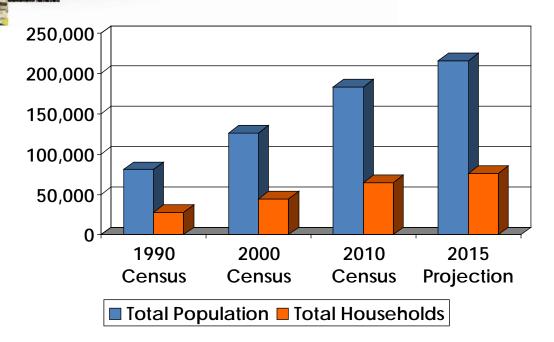
#### **Affordable**

ACCRA Cost of Living Index 4th Quarter 2011









	1990 Census	2000 Census	2010 Census	2015 Projection
Total Population	81,020	126,638	183,182	215,891
Total Households	27,927	44,725	64,886	76,341

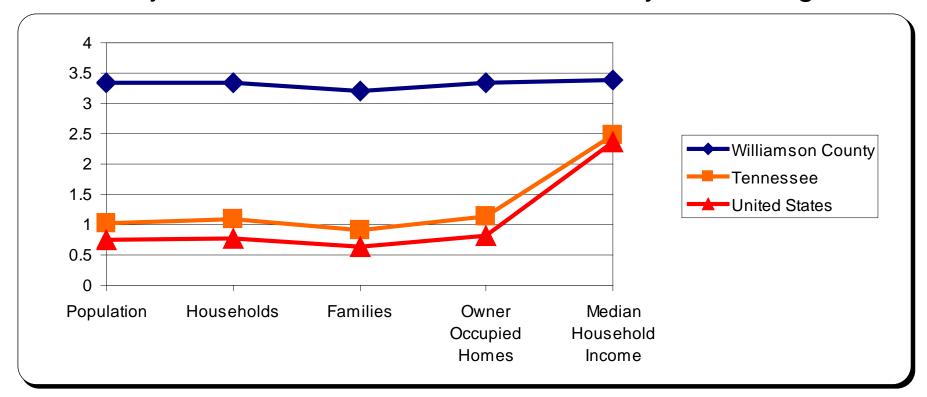
Source: US Census Bureau, 2010



#### **Continued Dynamism**

Projections above state and US averages

# Projected 2010-2015 Annual Growth by Percentage



Source: ESRI Business Analyst Projections, 2011



Tennessee

Labor force 3,099,800

Unemployment rate 7.8%

Nashville Region

Labor force 829,140

Unemployment rate 6.5%

Williamson County

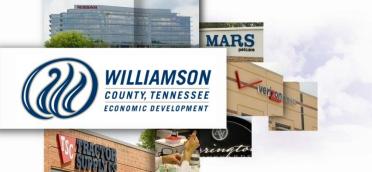
Labor force 95,670

Unemployment rate 5.3%

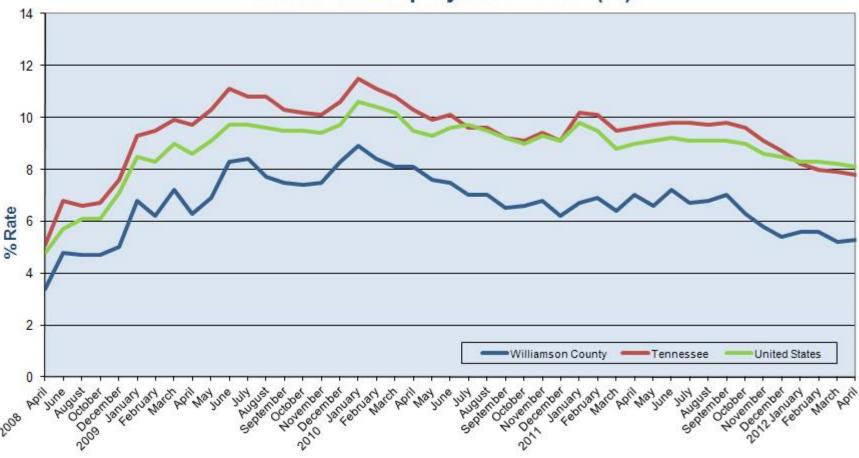
Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, May 2012

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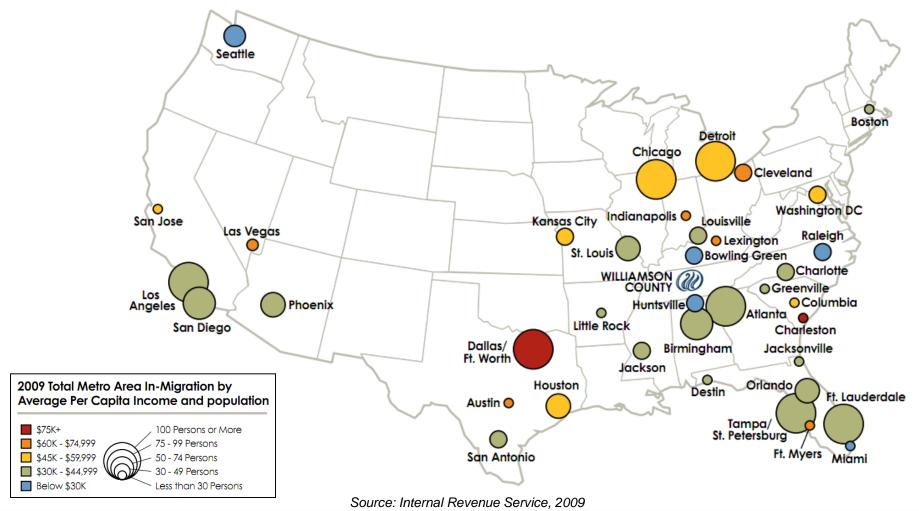
#### Historic Unemployment Rates (%)



Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Research









#### **Transfer Appeal** Proven record of relocating talent

#### % of workforce that chose to relocate

42% of workforce 80% of executives From Los Angeles, 2005

82% of workforce From Los Angeles, 2006

50% of financial service workforce From Tampa, FL, 2008

45% of IT workforce From Charlottesville, VA, 2012

90% of IT workforce From Lansing, MI, 2012











	US	TN	Williamson County
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT Population 25 years and over Associate's degree or higher	35.7%	29.3%	59.3%

### 2006-2010 High School Graduation Rate

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Williamson County	91.0	93.4	93.8	95.3	93.9
Middle Tennessee	88.3	88.0	85.8	87.4	N/A
Tennessee	80.7	81.8	82.2	82.2	86.1



24 colleges and universities8 community colleges14 career colleges

with 88,398 students with 32,103 students + with 9,095 students

129,596 students currently enrolled in the Nashville region

Source: 2010 enrollment data



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Received 40,000 applications for 700 jobs in 2005



Received 4,000 applications before they posted a single job in 2010

Talent



# **Since 2000**







Employment Growth
Population Growth
Unemployment Rate

Corporate relocations, growth of existing industry, & entrepreneurial dynamism



"Jackson looked at a variety of different communities to open a regional headquarters office. We ultimately selected Williamson County because of the strong talent pool due to its proximity to nationally recognized academic institutions, the quality of life the area offers our employees, and most of all the welcoming spirit of the local community. We couldn't be happier with our decision."

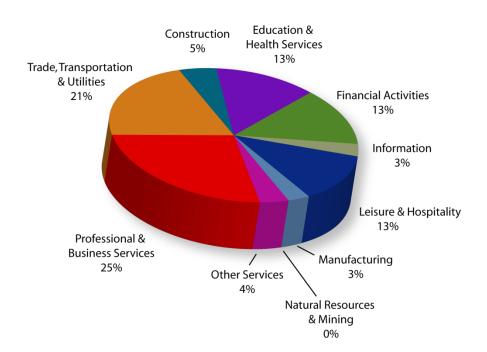
Mike Wells, President & CEO of Jackson National Life Insurance



#### **Economic Diversity**

Risk is minimized through balance of sectors

#### Economic Diversity in Williamson County



Supersector	Employment, Dec. 2009	Location quotient, Dec. 2009
Construction	4,144	1.04
Education & Health Services	9,578	0.72
Financial Activities	9,900	1.84
Information	1,979	1
Leisure & Hospitality	9,824	1.09
Manufacturing	2,251	0.27
Natural Resources & Mining	210	0.18
Other Services	3,055	0.98
Professional & Business Services	19,005	1.6
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	16,302	0.91

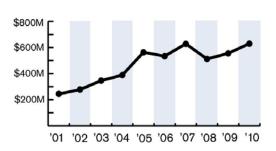
The location quotient is the ratio that compares the concentration of employment in a certain sector in Williamson County to the concentration of employment of that sector in the United States.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2010



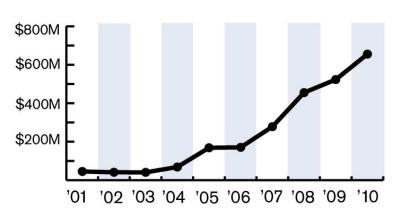
#### **HEALTH CARE**

Another strong performer for Williamson County was the health care industry, which saw overall compensation rise by 160 percent over the last decade.



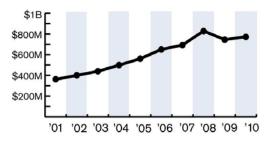
#### **MANAGEMENT**

The story of the last decade for Williamson County has been a string of corporate relocations. Management salaries have grown more than 1,300 percent in Williamson County over the decade.



#### PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL

This reflects the brainpower that moved to Williamson County last decade. It's the largest segment overall and has grown 112 percent since 2001. Still, the recession made its mark – trimming \$83 million between 2008 and 2009.



Source: Nashville Business Journal, June 2012 http://www.bizjournals.com/nashville/print-edition/2012/06/08/williamson-countys-growth.html?s=image\_gallery



#### **Corporate Image**

Over 200 companies with corporate functions

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## Major **Employers**

Top 25

	Employer	2011 Local Employees	Description
1	Cool Springs Galleria	3,500	Shopping center
2	Williamson County Schools	3,435	School system
3	Community Health Systems	2,153	Operator of acute care hospitals in non-urban & mid-size markets
4	Williamson County Government/Services	1,842	County government
5	HCA	1,368	Patient accounting service center and physician services
6	Williamson Medical Center	1,350	County owned hospital
7	Verizon Wireless	1,300	Tennessee state headquarters for wireless provider
8	Nissan Americas	1,200	Automotive corporate headquarters for North & South America
9	United Health Group	1,200	Claims resolution and healthcare information management
	Healthways	900	Comprehensive care enhancement & disease management services
	Comdata Corporation	869	Transaction process solutions including payroll services
12	Ford Motor Credit	800	Customer care center for finance department
13	Mars Petcare (Pedigree, Wiskas, Nutro)	742	Headquarters for private label dry & semi-moist pet food co.
	Lee Company	625	Commercial & residental intergrated facility solutions
15	Tractor Supply Company	552	Owns and operates retail farm and ranch stores
	MedSolutions	550	Management of medical imaging services
17	Vanderbilt Medical Group	500	Physician services
	Affinion Group	500	Customer engagement and loyalty solutions
	AT&T	500	Disaster recovery center, call center, and retail stores
20	DaVita	450	Billing office for company that provides dialysis services
21	LifePoint Hospitals	400	Develops community based hospitals in non-urban areas
22	Simplex Healthcare	360	Provides a range of healthcare products to patients with diabetes
	Lasko Products	350	Manufacturer of fans, humifidiers and heaters
	Ozburn-Hessey Logistics	345	Provider of global supply chain management solutions
25	The Lampo Group (Dave Ramsey)	335	Financial seminars, radio show, television show, and web

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Corporate Headquarters

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Passport Heath Communications	309	Revenue cycle management
Franklin American Mortgage	285	Privately-held mortgage banking firm
Medquist	275	Provides clinical documentation technology & services
LBMC	270	Professional services organization with 8 separate divisions
Walgreens Take Care Health	220	On-site healthcare for corporate clients
FRANCE, a Scott Fetzer Company	165	Provider of power solutions for lighting technologies
Delek (Mapco Express)	157	Diversified energy business - refining & retail
PureSafety	150	Provides software & information solutions for workforce safety & health
lasis Healthcare	134	Owns and operates acute care hospitals
American HomePatient	107	Provides home oxygen therapy
Podiatry Insurance Company of America	106	Provider of professional liability insurance for podiatric physicians
BioMimetic Therapeutics	100	Development & commercialization of drug-device combination products
Journal Communication	90	Custom media company
Dialogics Communications	83	Emergency notification and call center
HealthSpring	67	Coordinated care plans, primarily focused on Medicare Advantage plans
Designed Conveyor Systems	65	Designs, builds & installs conveyer systems
Noranda Aluminum	65	Manufacturer of primary aluminun, aluminum foil and light gauge sheet
Vaco	60	Accounting, financial, IT and administrative professionals staffing
Advocat	58	Operates long-term care and assisted living facilities
CLARCOR	54	Provider of filtration products and services
MyOfficeProducts	51	Online office supply distribution
Southern Land Company	48	Full service development company
Tasti D Lite	30	Healthy desserts retailer
Avure Technologies	30	Isostatic processing, sheet metal forming, and food processing HQ
Carlisle Transportation Products	30	Supplier of metal stampings, assemblies & die casting products
Tadano Mantis	26	Manufactures hydraulic crawler cranes
Integra Software Systems	16	Provides loan origination software to mortgage lenders
Big Idea Inc.	11	Value-based consumer entertainment production company
Tom James	9	Manufacturer and retailer of custom-made, luxury clothing
FAB Industries	6	Provider of alternative fuel storage systems

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Walgreens Take Care Health Systems	220	Provides integrated workplace healthcare solutions
Renal Advantage	205	Provider of outpatient dialysis services
Brookdale Senior Living	200	National senior living and health care provider
Corisen	200	Contracts to provide managed health care services
Universal Health Services	200	Owns psychiatric hospitals and manages behavioral health units
American Endoscopy Services	155	Offers surgical support programs for rigid and flexible scope surgery
OnLife Health (formerly Gordian)	150	Delivers whole-person preference-based health coaching
Windsor Health Group	150	Managed healthcare co. operating government sponsored health plans
lasis Healthcare	134	Owns and operates acute care hospitals
Podiatry Insurance Company of America	130	Provider of professional liability insurance for podiatric physicians
American HomePatient	112	Provides home oxygen therapy
Cogent Healthcare	100	Provides medical & management systems for hospitals
BioMimetic Therapeutics	100	Development & commercialization of drug-device combination products
Vision Consulting	100	Healthcare Information Technology (HIT) service provider/consultant
Dialogics Communications	83	Emergency notification and call center
APS Healthcare	80	Provider of specialty healthcare solutions
Acadia Healthcare	80	Develops and operates a network of behavioral health facilities
HealthSpring	67	Coordinated care plans, primarily focused on Medicare Advantage plans
CIMplify	63	Medical computer information management
Advocat	58	Operates long-term care and assisted living facilities
FTI Healthcare	50	Provides change management, financial advisory & consulting services
Capella Healthcare	42	Manages non-urban, general acute care hospitals
Ambulatory Services of America	25	Provides alternate-site health care services in partnership with physicians
Guardian Group	18	Provides long-term healthcare staffing in nursing, therapy & ICF/MR & psych
Advanced BioHealing	15	Research and sales office for bioengineered tissue products developer
Pet DRx	11	Provides veterinary primary care and services to companion animals
Protherics (BTG)	9	Biopharmaceutical research laboratory
Rare Disease Therapeutics	5	Biopharmaceutical co. focused on orphan products

# Major Employers Fortune 1000

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641	HealthSpring	67	plans
740	Vulcan Materials Co.	25	Crushed limestone and gravel
743	lasis Healthcare Corp.	134	Owns and operates acute care hospitals
821	Brookdale Senior Living	200	National senior living and health care provider

<sup>1</sup> division of Ford Motor

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> division of Walgreens





# America's Best High Schools 2010

5 schools in Williamson County were listed on Newsweek's Best High Schools list, **more than any other county in Tennessee** 

- Brentwood High School
- Ravenwood High School
- Franklin High School
- Fairview High School
- Centennial High School

Newsweek picks the best high schools in the country based on how hard school staffs work to challenge students with advanced placement college-level courses and tests. Just over 1600 schools—only six percent of all the public schools in the U.S.—made the list.

Source: Newsweek 2010



# Local property tax rate ranges from \$2.31 to \$3.60 per \$100 of assessed value

- 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest county tax rate in Nashville region
- Ranks below the average Tennessee county tax rate
- No state income tax



# Best places?

Yeah, we're on the list

#### **Credentials**

Consistently ranked near the top





# One of the Best Cities for Startups

#### The Top 10 Cities for Startups



No. 8: Franklin, Tenn. Population: 52,300

Patents per 10,000 pop.: 2.3 Creative Professionals: 15.1%

BA or Higher: 52.6%

Located in one of the nation's wealthiest counties, historic Franklin has a growing technology sector, including a new biotech campus under construction.



- 1. Boulder, CO
- 2. Boca Raton, FL
- 3. Santa Monica, CA
- 4. Bend, OR
- 5. Irvine, CA

- 6. Cambridge, MA
- 7. Bellevue, WA
- 8. Franklin, TN
- 9. San Francisco, CA
- 10. Rockville, MD

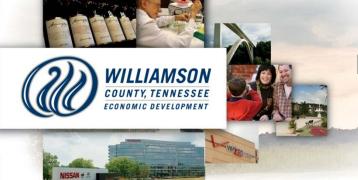
Ranking by: ZoomProspector.com and Bloomberg Businessweek 2010



# **Healthiest County in Tennessee**

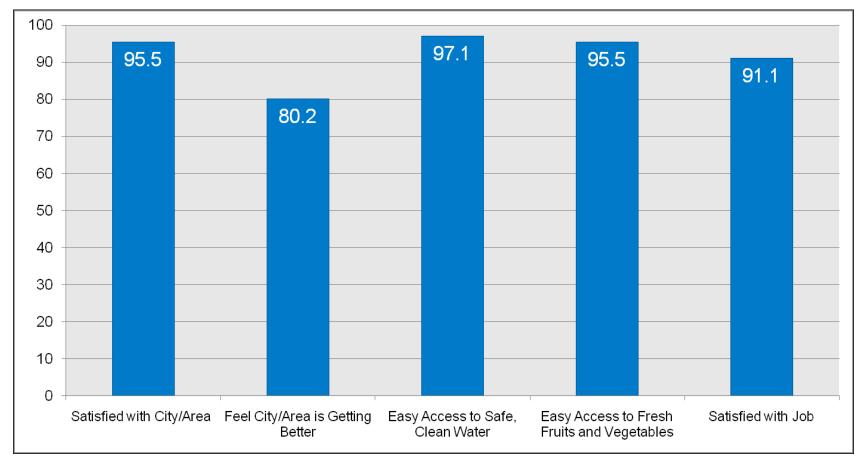
Health Outcomes	1
Mortality	1
Morbidity	1
Heath Factors	
Health Behaviors	1
Clinical Care	1
Social & Economic Factors	1
Physical Enviroment	7

Source: 2012 County Health Rankings & Roadmaps <a href="http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/app/tennessee/2012/williamson/county/1/overall">http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/app/tennessee/2012/williamson/county/1/overall</a>



#### **How do Williamson County residents feel?**







# 25% of the fastest growing private companies in Tennessee from the 2011 Inc. 500 | 5000 are in Williamson County

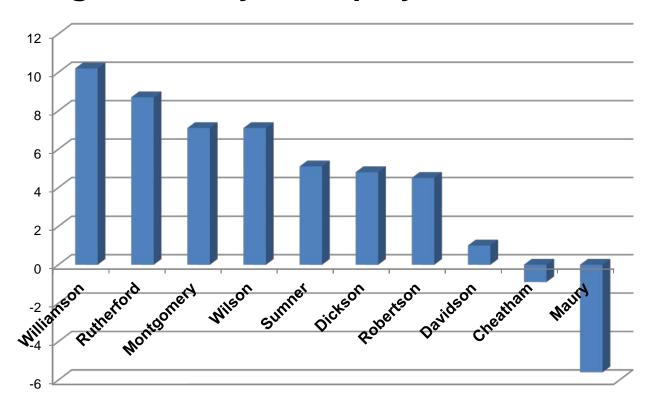


12 of the 25 largest publicly traded companies in the Nashville region call Williamson County home, including #1-#5 and 7 of the top 10





# Nashville Region County % Employment Growth, 2007-2011



Nashville Region = 4.3%



#### Who has grown jobs in Nashville?



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16. Williamson County, TN

Towns include: Brentwood Job growth (2000-2010): 35.0%

Evolving from farmland to bedroom community to business center, Williamson County has come a long way from its rural roots. In the last year, more than a dozen companies and government agencies have brought about 2,300 jobs to the area, according to the local economic development council.

Neighboring Rutherford County may host the plant that builds the Leaf, but



Williamson County is home to Nissan North America's headquarters, which provides 1,300 jobs. Cool Springs Galleria shopping center is the biggest employer, though, with 3,500 positions. Verizon Wireless recently added 300 customer service slots, and Healthcare Management Systems relocated, bringing 400 new jobs.

Williamson County wants small business to thrive, too. Its economic development council hosts a comprehensive website to help entrepreneurs get started. Resources include contact lists, how-to guides and a wealth of data. The site counts almost 800 new businesses in Williamson County this year.

Source: Money.com "Where the jobs are", 2011



"Moving the headquarters and the sales and marketing organization [to Williamson County, TN in 2006], I think, was a significant competitive advantage for Nissan. Our results speak volumes as to whether it was the right decision. Our market share has grown significantly, and I attribute a big part of our success and our potential to the fact that we are located here."

Bill Krueger, Vice Chairman of Nissan Americas

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