



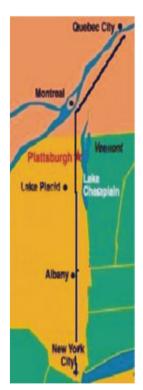
# THE NEW ECONOMIC REALITY

- NO MORE NATION TO NATION TRADE
  - **NOW BLOC TO BLOC**
- INTERNAL ECONOMIC REALIGNMENT
  - CORRIDORS
  - **③** EVOLVING INTO NEW BI-NATIONAL ECONOMIC REGIONS



# North America's Most Exciting Bi-National Region!

- 132 MILLION PEOPLE WITHIN ONE DAY'S SHIPPING TIME.
  This is 50% OF COMBINED POPULATION OF THE
  U.S. AND CANADA.
- This population represents **OVER \$1.7 TRILLION (U.S.)** in personal income.
- Home to 56% of all skilled workers; over 50% of all retail sales and wholesale receipts; 54% of all manufactured goods shipped within the U.S. and Canada.
- Home to the #1 and #2 trans-Atlantic seaports in North America-Montreal and New York.
- A recognized global leader in all of the emerging sectors of the 21<sup>st</sup> century combining the power of **Quebec** and **New York's Tech Valley.**



A UNIQUELY INTEGRATED BI-NATIONAL ECONOMIC REGION POSSESSING THE WORLD'S RICHEST MARKETPLACE!

# Plattsburgh, New York "Montreal's U.S. suburb!"

Annual economic impact of Canada on Clinton County, New York:

1994: \$784 million (U.S.)

2004: \$1.53 billion (U.S.)





#### **CORE BELIEFS**

- #1 WHERE THINGS MOVE IS WHERE PROSPERITY OCCURS.
- #2 REGION, REGION, REGION!!!
- #3 SUCCESS COMES FROM
  IDENTIFYING THOSE THINGS
  BIGGER THAN YOU THAT YOU
  CAN BECOME A "CONBRIBUTING"
  PART OF.



## Quebec-New York Corridor

#### **ZQUEBEC-NEW YORK CORRIDOR AGREEMENT:**

December 2001.

- -PLATTSBURGH-NORTH COUNTRY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
- -FEDERATION OF QUEBEC CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE
- **ZUEBEC-NEW YORK ECONOMIC SUMMIT 2002, Plattsburgh** 
  - -NEW YORK STATE AND QUEBEC GOVERNMENTS BECOME PARTNERS
- - -IDENTIFY AND REMOVE IMPEDIMENTS
  - -IDENTIFY AND PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES REQUIRING ENCOURAGEMENT AND FACILITATION.



#### CHAMPLAIN/LACOLLE PORT OF EXCELLENCE

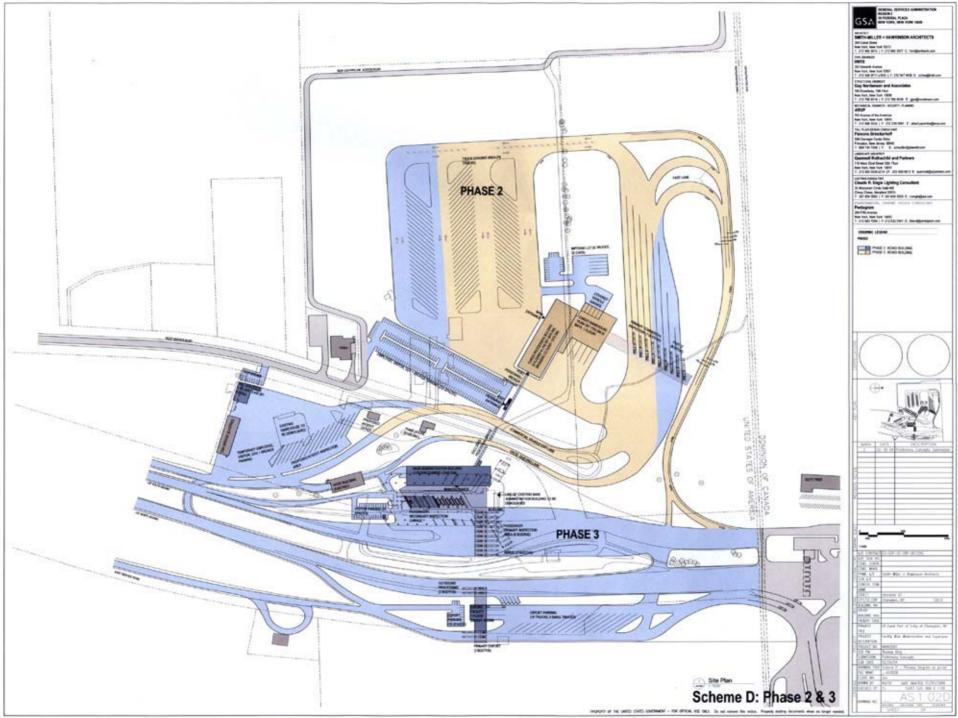
VISION: We seek a gateway which is nothing less than the most modern, most effective, most efficient, most secure, and most customer friendly on the entire U.S. – Canadian border, in all respects including:

- Facilities
- Technology
- Innovation

- Staff
- Cooperation & partnership
- Customer service









### **TRANSPORTATION**

- •Quarterly Transportation Council meetings
- Corridor Multi-Modal Transportation Study

#### www.i87multimodalstudy.org

- Autoroute 15 Reconstruction in Quebec
- •Rail Montreal to New York City
- •High Priority Corridor designation
- Completion of Highway 30 in Quebec
- •Pursuit of "higher" speed rail



## **TECHNOLOGY**





- Nanotechnology collaboration
- Aerospace
- Homeland security
- •High speed internet
- Venture capital
- Energy technologies

.....and more to come!



# **TOURISM & SPORTS**

Opportunity to develop and market Quebec-New York as a unique bi-national tourism destination

Sports collaboration between Lake Placid and Montreal: two Olympic cities







#### **BEST PRACTICES**

- AN INITIAL RALLYING POINT/DEFINING CAUSE
- DEFINING THE STAKES
- COMMITTED PARTNERS AND CHAMPIONS:
  - PASSION AND ENTHUSIASM
- PRIVATE/PUBLIC VS. PUBLIC/PRIVATE:
  - **→** SUSTAINABILITY
  - •BIG PICTURE VISION WITH EARLY AND STEADY SUCCESSES
  - •COALITION BUILDING AND COMMUNICATION
  - •SAVVY POLITICAL RELATIONS



### **STRENGTHS**

- •WHAT WE CONNECT AND WHERE WE ARE
- •TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
- •SUSTAINABILITY VIA COMMITTED CHAMBERS
- •MULTI-FACETED CONNECTIONS
- •WELL PLANNED EVENTS TO SUSTAIN MOMENTUM



#### WEAKNESSES

- BASIC FUNDING SUPPORT
- THREAT OF DISTRACTION OR CHANGED PRIORITIES
- NEW YORK AN ECONOMICALLY & FRAGMENTED STATE
- DEPENDENCE ON BORDER
- THE ABSENCE OF A POSITIVE CANADA-U.S. AGENDA
  - -DISPUTES DEFINE RELATIONSHIP
  - -NORTH AMERICA BEHIND THE GLOBAL CURVE



### **OPPORTUNITIES**

- COMPETITIVENESS IN THE NEW GLOBAL ECONOMY
- CRITICAL INTEGRATION OF PRODUCT & INTELLECTUAL SUPPLY CHAIN
- POLITICAL ACCESS & EFFECTIVENESS FOR CANADA IN U.S. AND VICE VERSA
- SUCCESS AND PROSPERITY



#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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