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Mount Pleasant, PA - Congressman John Murtha today visited a newly renovated Mount Pleasant facility that is home to four companies that have created nearly 40 new jobs.

The multi-tenant Mount Pleasant Glass Centre, formerly the Lenox Building, houses Glassautomatic Inc. with 23 employees, Lenox Factory Outlet with 10, Menasha Packaging Co. with five, and Crystal Concepts with one.

"I'm pleased by the center's growth, and it's rewarding to see the revitalization of the former Lenox Building," Murtha said. "We strive to continue economic development throughout the 12th District with successful facilities like the Mount Pleasant Glass Centre."

The Westmoreland County Industrial Development Corporation and the Economic Growth Connection of Westmoreland have made \$3.6 million in improvements to the 155, 000-square foot facility to accommodate light manufacturing. The agencies hope to attract a larger defense contractor or manufacturing company for the newly renovated available space.

"Congressman Murtha continues to be supportive of our Economic Development efforts in Westmoreland County," said John Skiavo, president and CEO of Economic Growth Connection of Westmoreland County. "With his continued support we are optimistic in filling the remaining spaces in the newly renovated Mount Pleasant Glass Centre."

The multi-tenant facility provides a low-cost facility for startup businesses.