THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON

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The Honorable John Boehner
Minority Leader
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Michael R. Turner
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Minority Leader Boehner and Representative Turner:

Thank you for your recent letter outlining your concerns about the relocation of the NCR corporate headquarters to Georgia. It is important to note that NCR Corporation has not received Federal stimulus dollars to fund new facilities in Duluth, GA and Columbus, GA.

The Recovery Act implementation guidance provided by the Economic Development Administration has been clear on this issue; the use of Recovery funds for the potential relocation of jobs from one State to another is not an approved use of Recovery funds. If the City of Columbus applied for Recovery Act funds to purchase a facility to house NCR to facilitate the relocation of jobs from Ohio to Georgia, the request would not be granted.

Please know that we recognize that the situation in Ohio is serious. The Administration is working to ensure that Recovery Act funds are being effectively allocated towards the redevelopment and restoration of the State's infrastructure and economy. Over $5 billion has been obligated under the Recovery Act to provide economic support to communities across Ohio, and over $997 million of these funds has already been distributed in sectors across the State. I thank you for raising these issues, and I encourage you to continue to work with us on turning the economy around.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.