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STATEMENT

Sen. Dan Clemens, Rep. Jay Wasson and Rep. Jim Viebrock Praise Quality Jobs Act for Role in Creating 400+ New Missouri Jobs

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Dan Clemens (R-Marshfield), Representative Jay Wasson (R-141) and Representative Jim Viebrock (R-134) today issued a joint statement crediting the Quality Jobs Act for helping to bring more than 400 good-paying jobs with health care benefits to Missouri.

McClane, Inc., a Fortune-500 company, has announced that it is building a new 400,000-square foot warehouse and distribution facility in Republic that will create 400 new full-time, year-round jobs within one year of its opening. The average starting wage of the new jobs will be \$32,259 annually.

McClane, Inc., is a \$30 billion supply chain services company, providing grocery and food service supply chain solutions for thousands of convenience stores, mass merchants, drug stores and military locations, as well as thousands of chain restaurants throughout the United States. The new Republic distribution center will assist the local economy in southwest Missouri by providing services to a wide variety of local businesses in the area.

"We know the Quality Jobs Act we created works, and this is just more proof that the tax incentive program is helping to bring good-paying jobs to our great state. Southwest Missouri will benefit

from the economic boost McClane will bring to the area, and if we continue to expand this highly successfully program, we will only see greater job growth in the future—meaning more opportunities for hard-working Missourians."

- Sen. Dan Clemens

"I am pleased McClane, Inc., has decided to plant roots in Missouri. The economic benefit this company will have on our communities by creating quality jobs is undeniable. I hope more companies will follow suit and choose to make Missouri their home-base."

- Rep. Jay Wasson

"The Quality Jobs Act we put in place has brought yet another first-class company to our state. The creation of 400 new jobs will have a profound impact on our local economy. And in a time where well-paying jobs are scarce, I know southwest Missourians will be glad to hear the good news."

– Rep. Jim Viebrock