

# International Transportation & Economic Development (ITED 2011) CONFERENCE GROUP TOURS TMMWV



Twenty attendees of the ITED Conference visited TMMWV on May 3, 2011. The group participated in a trolley tour of the Automatic Transmission Plant; learned about our automation/robots from **Sudhakar Pillarisetti** and spent time with **Andy Wendel** and **Brian Edwards** from Production Control asking questions about Toyota's logistics programs. Attendees were given a Toyota hat as a gift during their visit.

The conference, which was held in Charleston, May 1–3, 2011, is the fourth international conference to concentrate on the link between transportation and economic development.

The conference focused on issues and challenges related to the economy, global concerns and financial constraints. Participants were able to discuss emerging transportation needs of business and economic development communities at local, regional, state, national and global levels.

US Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood was one of more than 50 national and international speakers at the 2011 International Transportation Economic Development (ITED) Conference.

