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GRAND OPENING OF HIGH ALTITUDE ASSESSMENT CENTER
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- Thank you George Ansell (President, Colorado School of Mines) and Jack McCroskey (Chairman of the Board, Research/Tech. Center) for the invitation.
- We can pass all the legislation we want to improve our nation's air quality, but without the development and commitment from research centers like we are dedicating here today, it would be pointless.
- Joint effort is the cornerstone of this Center. It is a prime example of the cooperation between government, industry and the university community to find solutions to complex pollution problems.
- No federal agency or private corporate can afford to go it alone today. We need to pool our resources -- especially our talent -- to design and construct better engines and fuels to run our thriving transportation system. We at DOT are proud to be a part of this team.

- As an engineer by training, I appreciate the difficult tasks that lay ahead. Finding a cost-effective and efficient engine and fuel to cut pollution emissions will not come easy. But we must tackle this problem now -- there is no time for delay.
- The consequences of pollutants in the air at high altitudes are well known -- witness the "brown cloud" effect in the Rocky Mountain region or the horrible situation facing Mexico City.
- We wish all the engineers, scientists, and others the best of luck. Change starts when someone sees the next step -- it's now up to you to guide us down the path.

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