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DOLE, BAXTER-TRAVENOL OFFICIALS EXPLORE OPTIONS

(Washington, DC) -- Sen. Bob Dole (R-KS) today met with officials of Baxter-Travenol to further explore ways to minimize the loss of jobs at the company's Hays plant.

Following the meeting, Sen. Dole issued the following statement:

"I have just met with Vernon Loucks, president and chief executive officer of Baxter-Travenol, and Marsh Abbey, the company's general counsel, to discuss the future of the Hays facility and the people who have worked or are now working there.

"No conclusions were reached at this meeting. We reviewed efforts to minimize the economic impact to Hays, and the need to continue these efforts. Among the options are a pending merger with American Hospital Supply Co., which would hold forth the possibility of relocating some company activities to Hays.

"The Baxter-Travenol officials reiterated their willingness to expend considerable resources toward fully utilizing and occupying the Hays facility. We are hopeful that our efforts will pay off, but much ground remains to be covered and more work needs to be done. We will continue to do whatever we can to mutually resolve this issue for the benefit of everyone concerned."

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