The Ontario Development Corp. administers industrial parks in Cobourg and Centralia, renting industrial space and housing. It also manages the sale and leasing of property in Sheridan Park to companies engaged in industrial research and development.

The ministry of industry and tourism provides information on location and expansion of tourist operations, economic studies and other pertinent material; it advises tourist and service industry operators. Industry and trade branches assist manufacturing companies and supporting service industries to maximize use of facilities, apply technology, establish new production facilities and expand domestic and international markets. A manufacturing opportunity days program presents new products and processes, licensing opportunities, joint ventures, and contracts for tendering.

Throughout the province 15 field offices meet local needs and problems. Seven international field offices to cover other countries are in Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Paris, Frankfurt, London and Tokyo. To aid the manufacturer, the international staff works with industrial development officers in Toronto to arrange trade missions, business appointments, plant visits, incoming buyer missions, tourist incentive

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programs, and to provide consulting services with government and investment representatives. Visits to international trade fairs and exhibitions enable executives from Ontario companies to see new products and manufacturing techniques. This program introduces Ontario companies to foreign concerns wishing to establish contacts for licensing, joint ventures or expansion in Canada.

18.5.7 Manitoba

The Manitoba department of economic development and tourism, in consultation with a variety of broadly based advisory boards and committees, implemented government programs and services through six primary line functions: business development, market development, small enterprise development, program development and technical services, administrative and internal services, and Travel Manitoba.

Assistance is offered to the private sector in all aspects of establishing or expanding manufacturing facilities in the province including: identification of new manufacturing opportunities, engineering and technical advice; new product design and development; human resources planning; economic and market research; manufacturing and licence agreements; and development of export markets.

Delivery of these programs and services has been enhanced under Enterprise Manitoba, a \$44 million federal-provincial shared-cost agreement, with the opening of enterprise development centres in Winnipeg and Brandon, an industrial technology centre in Winnipeg and the Canadian Food Products Development Centre in Portage la Prairie.

18.5.8 Saskatchewan

Goals of the Saskatchewan economic development policy, implemented mainly through the industry and commerce department, are: to diversify the economic base, add value to provincial resources by processing them in the province where feasible, and support the private sector to make it easier for investors to anchor new and viable industries in the province.

A small business interest abatement program was introduced in April 1978 to reduce the interest burden for small businesses on money borrowed to expand or to