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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 09:20:53 GMT

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Posted by [Bill L](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 14:59:06 GMT

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Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 15:20:51 GMT

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 18:56:54 GMT  
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Posted by [DC](#) on Mon, 21 Jan 2008 03:04:51 GMT

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A lot of folks are saying "this could be a good thing, look

at the good influence and product TC could bring to Gibson"

But it sure didn't work that way with Chrysler and Daimler did it?

Seems like bad leaders and a problematic corporate culture are never solved by mergers. A takeover and a total house cleaning of execs? Perhaps, but I don't remember a merger that fixed a problem leadership or culture.

Saw Parker Dam today. Just gorgeous and since it is off the beaten path, almost deserted. Well, except for the two armed guards and the netting all over the lake side of the dam so ghouls cannot drop a demo charge down against the dam underwater where the force will be directed into the dam by the water...

sh\*t

Oh, and you can't walk across the dam anymore, and there are serious concrete obstacles to negotiate around to keep out the truck bombs.

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Back home again!

It's nice, except for the crap that passes for air 'round here.

Wanted to share the secret for finding great food in a  
strange town:

Pull off, go to the city center, ask a cop.

A Sargent, no less, directed us to some of the best vintage-  
style mexican (you know the way they used to make it  
before it became trendy?) I have EVER eaten.

It's in Indio. If you are ever making that damnable trip on  
the 10 from Quartzsite to El Lay, stop in Indio and find  
Rincon Norteno restaurant.

Oh-boy... Good stuff.

DC

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