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Memo

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To: Economic Development Committee

From: Cynthia Yorke, Business Services Representative, DuPage County Workforce

Development Division

RE: Incumbent Worker Training Application – Kenyeri Engineering & Manufacturing

Kenyeri Engineering & Manufacturing has been in business for over 22 years and employs a staff of 6 employees at their location in Downers Grove. Kenyeri provides total workholding solutions, taking a workholding application from chuck specification through design and fabrication of jaws, locators, plates, drawbars, and more. Another part of the manufacturing business designs and builds electrical control panels required to operate anything from a single pump or valve to a complex system. Industries they service are Aerospace, Automotive, Electronics, Food, Machining, and Pharmaceutical. Kenyeri blends engineering expertise with customer focus, listening to their clients concerns and objectives. Kenyeri Starts with the Part.

Kenyeri proudly offers Seom workholding products for machining applications and design custom solutions. In peering to the future of manufacturing, Kenyeri offers Hanwha Robotics cobot solutions for machine tending and many other manufacturing applications. The challenges for Kenyeri are work has become more complex and a lack of skilled labor has limited their productivity, therefore they cannot keep up with production needs and professionally develop their incumbent workers. In order to meet these challenges, Kenyeri has identified four trainings for two of their employees. These trainings are NX Mill Manufacturing Fundamentals, Studio 5000 Logix Designer Level 1 Control Logix System Fundamentals, Studio 5000 Logix Designer level 2 Basic Ladder Logic Programing, and Studio 5000 Logix Designer Level 3 Project Development.

If trainings are not implemented, Kenyeri will remain status quo of having a bottleneck, therefore reducing the amount of work through the shop. This will affect the company by not being able to remain competitive in their industry which could stagnate hiring, create a risk of downsizing their workforce and jeopardize future growth.

Notes:

- * Kenyeri Engineering & Manufacturing: 6 employees
- * Located in Downers Grove
- * Number of Incumbent Workers to be Trained: 2
- * Total Amount Approved: \$11,224.00