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Mr. Sommer:

This letter confirms that the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board (MNWB), on behalf of the Northeast Advanced Manufacturing Consortium (NAMC) has received a \$638,750 grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development's (EOHED) Advanced Manufacturing Training Program for Fiscal Year 2019. Funded by state budget line item 7002-0020, the Advanced Manufacturing Training Program provides funding to qualifying consortiums to develop, coordinate, and maintain comprehensive manufacturing workforce development systems. Regional systems will provide workforce development services in advanced manufacturing, such as recruitment, job training, placement activities, and supportive services. The program focuses on providing training to unemployed and underemployed individuals, and underrepresented populations including: veterans, minorities, and women.

MNWB/NAMC's project will focus on training in machining and welding as well as development of a 5-Year Advanced Manufacturing Training Strategic Plan for the Northeast region of Massachusetts. Somerville is a key partner in FY19's project, as it will host one of the machining programs at Somerville High School.

MNWB/NAMC looks forward to continued partnership with Somerville on this important workforce development initiative.

Regards,

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