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Lean Workshop Manufacturing Offered

Learn to Target Eight Wastes in Manufacturing and Improve Productivity

NASHUA, NH - Manufacturers will learn how to trim the fat from their production processes at a Lean 101 Workshop offered by the New Hampshire Manufacturing Extension Partnership (NH MEP) and the Association for Manufacturing Excellence (AME).

Lean 101 is a live simulation workshop that allows manufacturers to experience the changes and benefits of moving from traditional manufacturing to Lean Manufacturing environments by identifying and eliminating the eight wastes in manufacturing. The hands-on session includes manufacturing clocks in a dynamic and complex traditional manufacturing scenario, followed by ways to implement lean manufacturing techniques to increase efficiency and productivity.

Through the Lean Manufacturing demonstration, participants will learn how to reduce manufacturing cycle time, improve on-time shipments, reduce work in process, improve quality and reduce floor space. Workshop participants will also tour Hewlett Packard's Americas' Software Manufacturing (ASM) plant located across the street from the conference center. ASM was selected as one of *Industry Week's* Best Plants in 2000.

The workshop begins at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2004 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2 Somerset Parkway, Nashua, NH and ends by 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$525 for AME members and \$650 for non-members. To register, call 847-520-3282. (Due to the proprietary nature of some information, NH MEP reserves the right to preclude some attendees.)

NH MEP is an affiliate of the National Institute of Standards and Technology under the U.S. Department of Commerce. The national MEP is a network of manufacturing extension centers that provide business and technical assistance to smaller manufacturers. NH MEP works in partnership with the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development. For more information on the services NH MEP project managers provide, contact the Concord office at 603-226-3200 or go to www.nhmep.org.

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