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DEP Grant Program

Small Business Energy Efficiency Grant Program

The Pennsylvania DEP has announced a grant program for small businesses now available on its website, until funds run out. Applications are due by May 1. This is for energy efficiency projects that will result in at least \$1000 of savings; a grant for up to \$25,000 and for up to 25% of project costs is available. Below is a portion of the press release:

To qualify for a Small Business Energy Efficiency grant, projects must save at least 20 percent of the applicant's annual energy costs and at least \$1,000 a year in energy costs. The grants will provide up to 25 percent of project costs, with a maximum grant of \$25,000.

Beginning today, applications are available at www.depweb.state.pa.us, keyword: Small Business Energy Efficiency Grant Program. Applications will also be available by contacting the Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Energy and Technology Deployment, 15th Floor, Rachel Carson State Office Building, 400 Market St., P. O. Box 8772, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8772. Applications can also be obtained by calling (717) 783-8411 or e-mailing: ra-sbgrants@state.pa.us.

Applications must be received by May 1. Grants will be awarded to eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis until the \$3 million in available funds are depleted.

Grants will apply to energy efficiency improvements on systems such as lighting, heating, cooling, refrigeration and process machinery, as well as building insulation and weatherization improvement projects.

Only project costs incurred today and in the future are eligible for funding.

Member Spotlight



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The full service engineering firm of Barry Isett & Associates (BIA) understands that engineering is a tool to help clients achieve project success.

An example of the company's abilities can be seen in Lower Salford Township where the North American headquarters of the Almac Group is now under construction. BIA is providing a wide range of engineering services in the design of the 40-acre campus and the 240,000-square-foot headquarters of the international pharmaceutical company. The 100-million-dollar phased project will put under one roof the operations of Almac Clinical Services and Almac Clinical Technologies which had been previously housed in Audubon and Yardley, PA. As reported in earlier editions of this newsletter, "Almac worked with the Montgomery County Industrial Development Corporation and local officials to secure a \$9 million funding offer from the Department of Community and Economic Development."

BIA's services in the Almac project include providing surveys, site design, permitting, environmental studies, traffic studies and engineering, landscape design and structural engineering. Architectural design is by the Philadelphia office of Francis Cauffman Architects with whom BIA worked in close association. In addition to design services, BIA assisted with the pre-bid meeting and the pre-construction conference with successful bidders. Throughout the construction, BIA is providing review of site shop drawings and submittals, is attending job conference meetings and construction site visits. The project, which broke ground in July 2008 with the ceremonial assistance of Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell, is expected to be ready for occupancy in 2010. BIA has Pennsylvania offices in West Norriton, the Lehigh Valley and Hazleton as well as branches in Phillipsburg, NJ and Berlin, MD.

In addition to clients like Almac, BIA serves many public and private sector clients including Lower Merion School District, O'Neill Properties Group, Montgomery County Community College and the Municipality of Norristown.

To learn how BIA can help you reach your project objectives, please contact:
[Robert Heist](mailto:Robert.Heist@barryissett.com), CFM, CPSM Barry Isett & Associates 610-539-2858

New Members

MCIDC would like to recognize and thank the following companies and individuals for joining our membership...

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Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries
www.alphagraphics.com/us047

GVF Transportation

Transportation
www.gvftma.com

Hershey Farm Agency, Inc.
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www.hersheyfarmagency.com

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Paratherm Corporation
Petroleum Refining and Related Industries
www.paratherm.com

Penn Environmental & Remediation, Inc.
Consultant - Environmental
www.penn-er.com

PSC Info Group
Consultant - Information Technology
www.pscinfogroup.com

Sealstrip Corporation
Manufacturing
www.sealstrip.com

Univest National Bank
Financial Services - Commercial Banker
www.univest.net

Upcoming Events

Choosing the Path for Effective Supply Management

Brought to you by RT Environmental Services, Inc

When:

February 4, 2009 12 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Where:

The Plymouth Country Club
888 Plymouth Road - Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Admission:

\$35.00

Description:

Foreclosure Issues - To maintain lack of liability for environmental liability upon foreclosure, landowners must see to it that tanks are emptied, drums removed, etc. Experts will go over all key provisions to avoid lender environmental liability resulting from foreclosure.

USBA Update - The U.S. Small Business Administration has updated its environmental due diligence loan requirements.

Registration:

Fax RSVP to 610-265-0687

Click [HERE](#) to view a copy of the Seminar announcement/registration form.

Green Industry Seminar

Brought to you by MCIDC

When:

February 24, 2009
8:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Where:

The Plymouth Country Club
888 Plymouth Road
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Admission:

MCIDC Members: \$15.00
Non-Members: \$25.00
(Admission fee includes Continental Breakfast)

Presenters: TBA

Description:

Hear speakers discuss the changes in law that will affect green industry as well as economic development programs available.

Registration:

RSVP to Carli 610-272-5000

Ergonomics Tips

Brought to you by Northwest Physical Therapy, Inc.

Working Postures

1. Head and neck to be upright, or in-line with the torso (not bent down/back).
2. Head, neck, and trunk to face forward (not twisted).
3. Trunk to be perpendicular to floor (may lean back into backrest but not forward).
4. Shoulders and upper arms to be in-line with the torso, generally about perpendicular to the floor and relaxed (not elevated or stretched forward).
5. Upper arms and elbows to be close to the body (not extended outward).
6. Forearms, wrists, and hands to be straight and in-line (forearm at about 90 degrees to the upper arm).
7. Wrists and hands to be straight (not bent up/down or sideways toward the little finger).
8. Thighs to be parallel to the floor and the lower legs to be perpendicular to floor (thighs may be slightly elevated above knees).
9. Feet rest flat on the floor or are supported by a stable footrest.

For more information, please contact:
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Featured Property

38.98 +/- Acres - Zoned Industrial



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w/ close access to Routes 73, 29 & 113

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