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City of East Providence plans job fair for employees impacted by planned closure

EAST PROVIDENCE, RI – The City of East Providence is working to assist employees of Ennovi Advanced Mobility Solutions after it announced the closure of its East Providence facility due to a “strategic realignment and consolidation of Ennovi’s North American manufacturing sites” through a Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification letter (WARN), resulting in layoffs.

“Our administration has received a WARN letter from Ennovi Advanced Mobility Solutions informing us that their longstanding business within our community will be closing its doors, impacting 200 plus jobs,” Mayor Bob DaSilva said. “The City of East Providence is currently collaborating with local manufacturers and the Rhode Island Manufacturers Association (RIMA) to host a job fair for the impacted employees.”

Igus Inc., Chief Executive Officer and President Felix Brockmeyer, has graciously agreed to host a job fair on-site at one of its Rumford offices.

“East Providence has been home to igus for many years, we appreciate the people and support we have enjoyed,” CEO Felix Brockmeyer said. “Seeing one of the organizations decide to leave is sad but we will do what we can to provide job opportunities and connections for those that are impacted.”

The DaSilva Administration has also been in contact with RIMA Executive Director Dave Chenevert to assist those impacted by the layoffs.

“RIMA’s job is to promote the manufacturing sector, and we will try to work with employees to find them a job within the manufacturing sector,” Chenevert said.

Mayor Bob DaSilva has been in touch with the State of Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training Director Matt Weldon and his office to assist with mobilizing the RI DLT's rapid response help.

The City is working with Ennovi representatives who are excited to work with the city and local manufacturers to provide job placement for their employees.

The date, time and location of the planned job fair will be announced at a later time.