

Manufacturing Extension Program**FY2010 Request: \$806,401**
Reference No: 40242**AP/AL:** Appropriation
Category: Development**Project Type:** Economic Assistance
Recipient: Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc.**Location:** Statewide**Contact:** Amanda Ryder**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Contact Phone:** (907)465-2506**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2009 - 06/30/2014**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

The Federal Manufacturing Extension Program (MEP) supports Alaska's small and medium sized manufacturers by providing access to knowledgeable U.S. manufacturing and business specialists. This program contributes to the Department's mission of promoting a healthy economy and strong communities by providing support to business in the communities it serves.

Funding:	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	Total
Gen Fund	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$806,401		\$4,032,005
Total:	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$806,401	\$0	\$4,032,005

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Refer to the funding matrix in the detailed description.

Project Description/Justification:

The Manufacturing Extension Program (MEP) is a nationwide network of not-for-profit centers in nearly 350 locations nationwide, whose sole purpose is to provide small and medium sized manufacturers with the help they need to succeed. Centers are funded by federal, state, local, and private resources.

The centers, serving all 50 states and Puerto Rico, are linked together through the federal Department of Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology. The link makes it possible for even the smallest and remotest of Alaska's small manufacturers to tap into the expertise of knowledgeable manufacturing and business specialists throughout the United States.

Each center works directly with area manufacturers to provide expertise and services tailored to their needs, which range from process improvements and worker training to business practices and applications of information technology. Solutions are offered through a combination of direct assistance from center staff and outside consultants.

The success of more manufacturers throughout Alaska will improve the economy with increased jobs, sales, training, and equipment investments.

This request will be awarded as a grant to Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc. The federal funding, while not awarded as a matching grant, will only be awarded if Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc. can demonstrate sufficient non-federal support (Local, State and Private). This grant is part of that support and is considered essential to receipt of the federal funding.

Funding History

Year	Amount	Legislation
FY 2006	1,600,000	FSSLA 05 Ch 3 Page 103 Line 22
FY 2007	2,681,612	SLA 06 Ch 82 Page 3 Line 32
FY 2008	1,612,802	SLA 07Ch 30 Page 84 Line 33
FY 2009	806,401	SLA 08 Ch 29 Page 34 Line 18