

**Manufacturing Extension Program****FY2008 Request: \$1,612,802****Reference No: 40242****AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Development**Project Type:** Renovation and Remodeling  
**Recipient:** Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc.**Location:** Statewide**Contact:** Sam Thomas**House District:** Statewide**Contact Phone:** (907)465-2506**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2012**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

The Federal Manufacturing Extension Program (MEP) will support Alaska's small and medium sized manufacturers throughout the state by providing them access to knowledgeable manufacturing and business specialists throughout the United States. This program contributes to the Department's mission of promoting a healthy economy and strong communities by providing economic growth in the communities it serves.

<b>Funding:</b>	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	Total
BLic&Corp	\$806,401						\$806,401
Fed Rcpts	\$806,401						\$806,401
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,612,802</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,612,802</b>

☐ State Match Required   
 ☐ One-Time Project   
 ☐ Phased - new   
 ☐ Phased - underway   
☒ On-Going  
 0% = Minimum State Match % Required   
☐ Amendment   
☐ Mental Health Bill

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
<u>One-Time Startup:</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
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 will make 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. and is being used as a match (State's contribution) to the federal grants that have or will be awarded to Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc.

**Manufacturing Extension Program**

**FY2008 Request: \$1,612,802**  
**Reference No: 40242**

\$806,401 is being requested and will be used to provide the one-to-one match required of the federal agency providing a federal grant directly to the Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc.

<b>Analysis of Federal and State Grant Agreements With AMEP</b>				
<b>AMEP's Grant Agreements</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State of Alaska</b>	<b>Private Sector</b>
Signed with Feds	Oct 2004 - Dec 2006	1,519,338		
Signed with State	Oct 2005 - Sept 2006		800,000 AR 32728-10	
Signed with State	Oct 2006 - Sept 2007		1,340,806 AR 10335-11	
Total		1,519,338	2,140,806	
<b>Anticipate with Feds</b>	Jan 2007 - March 2007	209,271		
<b>Anticipate with Feds</b>	April 2007 - June 2007	209,271		
<b>Anticipate with Feds</b>	July 2007 - Sept 2007	209,271		
Projected Federal and State Funding through Sept 2007		2,147,151	2,140,806	
Anticipate with Feds and State	Oct 2007 - Sept 2008	806,401	806,401	
Anticipate with Feds and State	Oct 2008 - Sept 2009	800,000	800,000	
Total		3,753,552	3,747,207	

**Notes:**

- (1) The State of Alaska amounts listed above are only HALF of what was appropriated by the Legislature.
- (2) The remaining half was not spent since it was federally funded directly with AMEP. The State was not a party to those Federal Grant Agreements.

**Funding History**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Legislation</b>
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