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PARIS PRECISION, LLC CLOSING AND DISLOCATING 130 WORKERS

Rapid Response Team will support workers who will be losing their jobs from this business closure

PASO ROBLES, CA – San Luis Obispo County Workforce Development received a Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notice (WARN) dated March 21, 2016 announcing the reduction of staffing by 130 workers at Paris Precision in Paso Robles, CA. On-site human resource staff confirmed this is a complete facility closure resulting in the reduction of the company's entire workforce at the location. All 130 employees will be terminated effective May 22, 2016. The WARN stated that the Company (Paris Precision, LLC) "will be streamlining its business..." and the Facility (1650 Ramada Dr., Paso Robles, CA 93446) will be "...ceasing operations that are no longer profitable for the Company." This notice was received pursuant to the federal WARN Act of 1988 and the California WARN Act requiring employers to give official notice to affected employees, the state dislocated workers unit, the local workforce development board, and the chief elected official of the local, city and county government.

Three informational sessions with approximately 50 workers at each will be held on site at 1650 Ramada Drive, Paso Robles on April 14, 2016 by a Rapid Response Team. The Rapid Response Team is a cooperative between the Local Workforce Development Board Rapid Response Coordinator, America's Job Center of California (AJCC), and the Employment Development Department (EDD) to assist employers and workers during a mass layoff or plant closure. Rapid Response Teams disseminate information on a variety of programs and services designed to assist workers during a layoff, downsizing or plant closure. The Rapid Response Orientation includes information on services through the America's Job Center of California (AJCC), Unemployment Insurance programs through the Employment Development Department (EDD) and navigating health insurance options through COBRA and/or the Covered California marketplace.

"Although the closure of Paris Precision is an unfortunate situation, it is an excellent opportunity for other local manufacturers to hire work-ready and skilled employees," said Tammy Aguilera, Workforce Development Board Director. The primary purpose of Rapid Response is to enable affected workers to return to work as quickly as possible following a layoff, or to prevent layoffs altogether. A list of affected occupations is available at the Workforce Development website. Businesses interested in assisting with re-employment of the affected employees may inquire through www.sloworkforce.com.

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ABOUT SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Workforce Development Board formerly known as the Workforce Investment Board is a demand driven organization appointed by the County Board of Supervisors to implement the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act by leveraging community resources and being a catalyst for workforce development contributing to a healthy economy in San Luis Obispo County. Our vision is to meet the needs of employers and job seekers in SLO County. The Workforce Development Board is a proud partner of America's Job Center of Californiasm. For more information, please go to www.SLOWorkforce.com