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**IMC Continues Partnership with the Manufacturers' Association
to Bolster Electrical Safety Training in Central PA**

Central PA – The Innovative Manufacturers' Center (IMC), Inc. is excited to announce its continued partnership with The Manufacturers' Association to support training in electrical safety in central and southcentral Pennsylvania through December 2024. The Association was awarded a \$157,833 training grant by the Federal Susan Harwood Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), which will focus on manufacturing but also other industrial sectors.

This electrical safety training will help workers and employers recognize serious workplace hazards, including implementing injury prevention measures and understanding rights and responsibilities under the Occupational Safety and Health Act. The grant audience also focuses on small businesses as well as temporarily unemployed workers and recent graduates seeking to enter manufacturing or industrial sectors. The initiative will include training such as electrical safety, lockout tagout, arc flash and NFPA 70e and will be offered in English and Spanish.

IMC has scheduled open enrollment no-cost electrical safety training courses with dates and locations throughout its 12-county region. These dates and locations can be found under Events & Training on IMC's website at <https://imcpa.com/>. Employers are also able to host training sessions at their own locations, in conjunction with the IMC. This is the fourth grant received in Central PA from the Susan Harwood Program, the third for electrical safety, which has been received two years in a row and is projected to train another five hundred employees and individuals.

This federal program honors the late Susan Harwood, former director of OSHA's Office of Risk Assessment, who died in 1996. During her 17-year OSHA career, she helped develop federal standards to protect workers exposed to bloodborne pathogens, cotton dust, benzene, formaldehyde, asbestos, and lead in construction. The training material was produced under grant funding from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor. It does not necessarily reflect the views or

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For questions about no-cost training in electrical safety and to schedule your onsite training, please contact Lauri Moon, Manager of Training & Outreach at (800) 326-9467, or by email at laurim@imcpa.com.

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About Innovative Manufacturer's Center (IMC)

Founded in 1988, the Innovative Manufacturers' Center assists in connecting manufacturers in 12 Pennsylvania counties with the most effective regional, state and national resources to help them innovate, grow and prosper. IMC is supported through the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology's Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Industrial Resource Center program. IMC serves manufacturers in Lycoming, Montour, Northumberland, Union, Snyder, Clinton, Centre, Mifflin, Juniata, Huntington, Blair and Bedford Counties. Visit us at <https://imcpa.com/>.

The Manufacturers' Association is on a mission to ensure that our region's manufacturing sector not only survives but rebounds stronger than ever! We exist to ensure that critical knowledge is preserved, expanded, and shared with the manufacturing professionals of tomorrow. Founded in 1906, we are the voice of the industry for hundreds of member & non-member organizations in southcentral PA & northern MD. We support manufacturers with the knowledge they need to operate, hire & train smarter! Visit their website at <https://mascpa.org/>.