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## **Governor Doyle Announces \$1.8 Million Grant to Assist Displaced Delphi Corporation Employees**

### ***Secretary Gassman Says Grant Will Help Workers Attain New Skills***

MADISON – Governor Jim Doyle today announced that Wisconsin has received a \$1.8 million National Emergency Grant to assist workers displaced by the closure of the Electrical and Safety and Powertrain divisions of Delphi Corporation located in Oak Creek.

“This federal funding will help employees increase their skills and attain new employment sooner,” Governor Doyle said. “I am pleased the Department of Workforce Development is able to offer retraining and reemployment services tailored to meet the needs of individual workers.”

The grant, awarded to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD), will be used to provide assessment, counseling, retraining, and job placement services to approximately 400 individuals. Services under the grant will be coordinated with services and benefits also available to these workers through the federal Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program. The project will be operated by the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board through the Milwaukee HIRE Center.

“This funding will allow these workers to have access to the full array of dislocated worker services needed to transition into new jobs, so they can support themselves and their families,” said DWD Secretary Roberta Gassman.

The HIRE Center is a consortium of the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board, the Milwaukee Area Technical College, the AFL-CIO Labor Education and Training Center, the Milwaukee County Labor Council, United Way, and DWD Job Service. It functions as a satellite “One Stop” for dislocated workers in Milwaukee.

Individuals interested in receiving reemployment assistance should contact a local Job Center or visit <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dws/programs/dislocated/default.htm>. The nearest Job Center location can be found by calling (888) 258-9966 toll free.

For more information on National Emergency Grants, please visit [www.doleta.gov/NEG](http://www.doleta.gov/NEG).