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Under M for Minnesota

Greentech Manufacturing Inc. is a part of directory

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A Minnesota organization is making it easier for companies to work with other Minnesota companies and improve the economy.

Minnesota's Department of Employment and Economic Development has compiled a Made in Minnesota directory, a listing of Minnesota businesses looking to buy products and supplies from other Minnesota businesses. This directory has been

in the works for about six months, DEED Director of Communications Madeline Koch said.

"Over a period of time, we had requests from Minnesota companies looking for other companies they could work with," Koch said. "Working with other Minnesota businesses continues the supply chain."

When local manufacturers buy supplies from local suppliers, it enhances the economy, which benefits all Minnesotans, Koch said. The directory also allows companies to create a deeper network in the state.

One local manufacturer, Greentech Manufacturing Inc., is a part of the directory. Co-owner Jessica Holmestad said she heard about the directory from an email from DEED, and

she said she thought it was a good idea for manufacturers to advertise.

"I decided to join because I wanted our information available for people located in the state looking for local manufacturers," Holmestad said.

Greentech, located at 2716 Crescent Drive, manufactures indoor and outdoor wood, coal, and corn furnaces, as well as unit heaters and air handlers that work with its furnace line. They also contract with businesses that need metal manufacturing done, Holmestad said. One such business is Northern Houseboats, she said.

The majority of Greentech's business is manufacturing its own products for customers throughout the U.S. and Canada,

Holmestad said. The main distribution area is the Midwest and East Coast, she said. Company officials hope to use the directory to find other metal suppliers, she said.

"Our metal is from Ryerson, in Minnesota," Holmestad said. "So we're trying to find other suppliers to diversify."

The initial reaction to the directory has been positive, Koch said. Businesses signed up for the directory have said it's a "wonderful tool," she said. One way to use the directory DEED hadn't thought of is to put the "Made in Minnesota" logo on products manufactured here, she said.

"The logo has taken on a life of its own," she said. "There's a lot of pride in making products here."

New acreage reporting deadline set

FSA STAFF REPORT

Staff with the United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency reminds all producers that the 2014 acreage reporting deadline for fall-seeded and/or prior year seeded forage and fall seeded small grains has been changed to Nov. 15 for FSA and RMA, known as Risk Management Agency.

This applies to both insured and uninsured crops, and involve, for example, winter wheat, winter rye, and winter canola.

The following are exceptions to this rule:

■ If the forage crop has an intended use of seed, cover crop, green manure, or left standing – report acreage by July 15, 2014.

■ If new forage is planted in the spring of 2014 – report acres by July 15, 2014

■ If the crop is not planted by Nov. 15 – report within 15 days after planting.

■ If a lease was acquired after Nov. 15 – report acres within 30 days of the lease.

Also, it should be noted that producers who do not certify their 2014 forage and/or fall-seeded crops by Nov. 15 will be subject to late filing fees.

Questions about the new acreage reporting deadline for 2014 should be directed to the the Roseau County FSA office. Producers who do business at the Lake of the Woods/Koochiching County FSA office in Baudette are reminded that the office is open on Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m..

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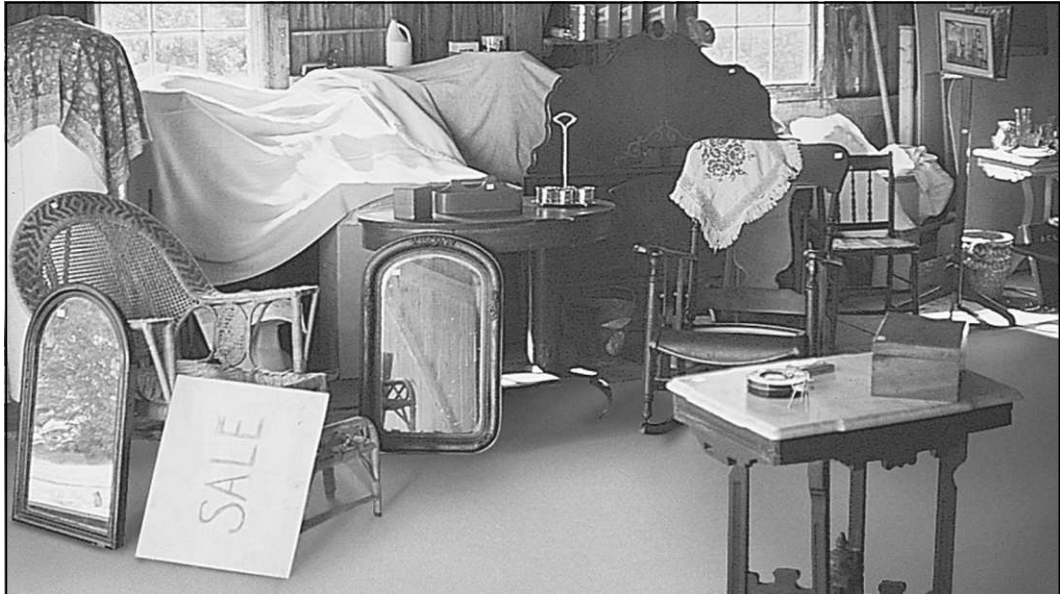
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City Administration, Int'l Falls (for Tract IF-1 only)



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