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## **Your Company** If you run a smaller manufacturing facility, you may not consider yourself a target for hackers and cyber criminals. The truth is, your operational

systems could already be under attack, with no obvious signs of an ongoing information security breach. Learn how to detect cyber attacks that may have already compromised your information systems in the third installment of the five-part MEP National Network "Cybersecurity for Manufacturers" series published in IndustryWeek.

How to Respond to a Cyber Attack

Learn to Detect

## Do you have a plan of action if your manufacturing infrastructure is

attacked by a malicious hacker? Even one cyber attack can be devastating to your bottom line if you don't act quickly to contain the fallout. Don't wait to plan your strategy. Learn the essentials of a successful response plan in the fourth installment of the MEP National Network's five-part series on "Cybersecurity for Manufacturers" published in IndustryWeek.

Prepare to Respond

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**









#### September 10th - Bismarck, ND Greater North Dakota Chamber, Impact Dakota and the ND Department

of Commerce are hosting a breakfast for the ND Manufacturing Council. Individuals associated with the manufacturing industry are invited to attend to discuss priorities and policies currently affecting the industry and are encouraged to engage with the Council efforts. This event is the precursor to the <u>2019 Policy Summit.</u>

Click here to register for the Breakfast



### Auditing — for GFSI Standards Emphasizing BRC, SQF, FSSC 22000 **September 18 - Grand Forks Registration Deadline - September 11th**

This training will comply with GFSI requirements for Internal Auditing, understanding these concepts will provide an efficient process and cover

the requirements of auditing food safety programs, will provide input for improvements, and demonstrate where food safety programs are strong. Click for Internal Auditing Info & Registration



#### **Registration Deadline - September 17th** Business profitability and sustainability can be dramatically improved

through innovation. This workshop teaches personal innovation skills, innovative idea creation, and a process for implementation.

You will learn how to identify and develop innovation skills, create new ideas for products and processes, explore the "Plan Do Study Act" cycle, and develop an action plan for moving forward.

**Click here to register for Dickinson Workshop** 

This workshop includes a hands-on simulation and exercises that provide

a visual and physical understanding of the importance of innovation in a

Click here to register for Grand Forks Workshop



#### only nationally recognized Lean Certification program; using standards developed and judged by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME). Click here for LECP information

October 21 - October 24, 2019

Shuil Dakota MANUFACTURING & TECHNOLOGY 2019 Kentucky Lean Study Mission

The various companies and manufactures we visit will demonstrate fundamental practices such as 5S, visual management, problem solving, standardized work, quality at the source, safety, continuous flow, intelligent automation, and much more.

Click for Kentucky Trip Info & Registration

Discover first-hand what is at the heart of the lean business model through a series of gemba walks, talks, and peer networking. You will be able to see the tools and systems of operational excellence in action.



## **Click here for information!** Are you struggling to take your product international?

Are you turning away sales inquiries from potential

Are you frustrated by the lack of direction in your

international customers because you don't know how

international sales? ExporTech is the program for you. The program combines group workshops with individual coaching for each company, leading to an export plan in just 10 weeks. The peer group model, limited to leaders from 4-8 companies, maximizes impact and propels action. The

innovative customized workshops help companies extract the specific information they need. Finally, the program builds connections to a team of export organizations that help participating companies go-to-market

to handle them?

and implement their export growth plans.



or for more information on the following events.

ND Manufacturing Council Breakfast

Sept. 10 - Bismarck

Internal Auditing for Food Safety Training Sept. 18 - Grand Forks

Sept. 25 - Dickinson Sept. 26 - Grand Forks

Intense Innovation Workshops

Sept. 26 - Dickinson/Bismarck

Manufacturing Day

2019 Lean Study Mission

October 21-24

**LECP Session Start Dates** 

October 4

<u>ExporTech</u> Beginning First Quarter

of 2020

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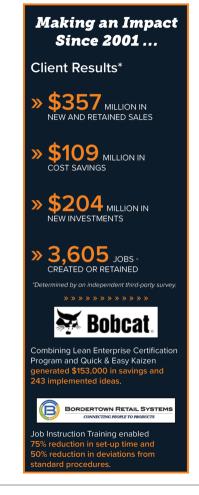
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dlehman@nd.gov 701.226.0309 **Incentives 101:** 

#### Operation ntern As we wrap-up yet another summer and send the college kids off for a year of

hitting the books, manufacturers will soon start lining up career fairs in search of college talent to fill a variety of positions. Internships are a great solution to establish a very valuable pool of future potential hires to meet the day-to-day operations or special project needs of manufacturing. Link to PDF





#### Agency (DLA) **Monthly Webinars** Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) supplies 86 percent of the military's spare parts and nearly 100 percent of fuel and troop support

consumables, manages the reutilization of military equipment, provides catalogs and

other logistics information products and offers document automation and production services to a host of military and federal agencies. DLA consolidates requirements by supply chain and procures items in sufficient quantities to meet our customers' projected needs. Many of DLA's procured items are delivered directly from a commercial vendor. Other items are stored and distributed through a system of worldwide depots. The purpose of this webinar is to give a more comprehensive overview about DLA and what the Office of Small Business Programs can do. We also give an overview of our major supply chains and

out to those offices for their requirements. **HOW TO REGISTER:** 1. Visit the **DLA Small Business Website** (https://www.dla.mil/smallbusiness/calendar/) 2. Choose a date and click on the associated Small Business Webinar link 3. Follow the instructions provided

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