



## JLG to recall 550-650 workers to Pennsylvania plants

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Between 550 and 650 JLG employees are expected to be recalled to help fill an order for the Department of Defense.

When Oshkosh Corp. announced the \$1.05 billion contract two weeks ago, there were no estimates on how many of the laid-off JLG workers would be rehired.

The company said Tuesday the majority of the recalled employees will be in Pennsylvania. JLG Industries, a subsidiary of Oshkosh, has plants in McConnellsburg, Shippensburg and Bedford.

The callbacks will begin soon and will continue in phases aligned with the planned increases in production activities. Laid-off JLG employees will be contacted by the company according to seniority and job requirements.

A JLG spokesman said the positions being recalled are predominately production positions.

In addition to the JLG employees, Oshkosh is hiring between 300 and 500 employees for its Defense facilities in Wisconsin.

"We are using the combined resources of Oshkosh Corp. to ensure that our brave

warfighters will have highly mobile, durable and survivable vehicles waiting for them when they arrive in Afghanistan," said Robert G. Bohn, Oshkosh chairman and CEO. "Adding new employees to our Oshkosh Defense employment base and calling back skilled JLG employees at our underutilized JLG facilities will maximize our manufacturing operations and accelerate our M-ATV delivery schedule."

The 300 to 500 new hires will work in Oshkosh, Wis., where there are four Defense production facilities.

On June 30, Oshkosh received the initial delivery order for 2,244 MRAP all terrain vehicles. Due to the urgent need from the Department of Defense, the first shipments of the M-ATV are scheduled for this month.

The initial order is through December.

"We're certainly pleased with the additional opportunities for our team members," said Craig Paylor, Oshkosh executive vice president and JLG president. "As a member of the Oshkosh Corp. family, the ability to use our manufacturing facilities and our experienced personnel to assist with the Defense contracts will have a very positive effect on our communities, which have been adversely affected by the economy."

JLG, which makes aerial access equipment, has laid off considerable portions of its work force in response to the global economic downturn and tighter credit markets. Current employment numbers for JLG were not available Tuesday.

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Under a second contract, approximately 60 JLG employees will be called back and deployed to Kuwait to install Oshkosh TAK-4 independent suspension kits on MRAP vehicles already in Iraq and Afghanistan.

These JLG employees are part of more than 120 Oshkosh employees involved in this joint project between Oshkosh Defense and Force Protection, Inc., to install the Oshkosh TAK-4 independent suspension on FPI manufactured MRAPs.

The TAK-4 system dramatically improves ride quality and mobility, leading to more protection for soldiers.

The JLG employees involved in the deployment to Kuwait have volunteered and were selected from a pool of candidates throughout Oshkosh. The JLG employees -- many who were laid off -- came from JLG facilities in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Texas and California.

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