

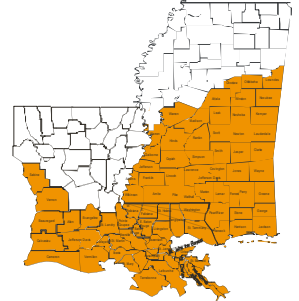


Gulf Coast MEP Center Hurricane Assistance

A Joint Endeavor – MEP.ms & UL Lafayette’s MEPoL



The Manufacturing Extension Partnership of Mississippi (MEP.ms) and the Manufacturing Extension Partnership of Louisiana (MEPoL) have formed a partnership to restart, recover, and enhance those manufacturers in Mississippi (MS) and Louisiana (LA) affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The National Institute of Standards and Technology’s Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program has authorized funding to MEP.ms and MEPoL to assist manufacturers recovering from hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico in calendar year 2005. Manufacturers should be located in counties declared a disaster (indicated in orange in the map) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).



Assistance available through this grant includes a comprehensive source of business, management, and technical assistance. Details on the types of assistance can be found at <http://www.mep.ms/>. The appropriated funds will cover an assessment of the manufacturer and a minimum of 75% of the cost for services provided by MEP.ms.

Please note: This funding cannot be used as working capital or for capital improvements or to buy equipment. Please return to:

Dr. John “Jay” Tice IV, Director, MEP of Mississippi, 134 Market Ridge Drive, Ridgeland, MS 39157
Telephone: (601) 960-3616 Fax: (601) 960-3605

CRITERIA (1 and 2 must be yes and evidence of compliance with 3 or 4 or 5 must be provided to qualify)

Company Name: _____ **Contact Person:** _____

Phone Number: _____

1. Are you located in a county designated by FEMA as a disaster county? Yes No
2. Are you a manufacturer with a NAICS code that falls within the definition of a manufacturer?
 Yes No
3. Can you show a loss of sales from your 2004 tax return to your 2005 tax return? Yes No;
If yes, please attach a copy of the appropriate page from each return.
4. Can you show a loss of employees on the Mississippi Department of Employment Security wage report? Yes No;
If yes, please attach a copy of your wage report for the 3rd quarter and 4th quarter of 2005.
5. Do you have evidence of other devastating effects to your facility or business due to hurricane Katrina or hurricane Rita. Yes No;
If yes, please provide the information below. Please use an additional blank sheet if necessary.
