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M&G Chemicals, Del Mar College partner for \$214,940 Job-Training Grant

AUSTIN – M&G Chemicals has partnered with Del Mar College to provide job training using a \$214,940 Skills Development Fund grant from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). The grant will benefit workers in the Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend area.

This grant will be used to provide customized training to 225 new hires in chemical process, process logistics, rotary equipment and distributive controls systems for innovative technology being introduced to the region. Trainees will include chemists, laboratory technicians and maintenance inspectors. Upon completion of training, the workers will receive an average wage of \$29.98.



TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ruth R. Hughes makes a \$214,940 Skills Development Fund Grant check presentation to representatives from Del Mar College and M & G Chemicals. Pictured from left: Del Mar College Regents Carol A. Scott and Elva Estrada, Del Mar College President Dr. Mark Escamilla, Commissioner Hughes, M&G Chemicals USA Corpus Christi Facility Human Resources Manager Parrish Jones and M&G Chemicals Site Manager Jeff Shea and Del Mar College Interim Dean of Workforce Programs and Corporate Services Dan Korus.

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“This partnership will focus on new production technology to the community and providing the training the local workforce needs to support this industry demand,” said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ruth R. Hughs. “We are pleased to make this grant to M& G Chemicals and Del Mar College, which will help drive expansion and create new employment opportunities for the Corpus Christi area.”

The Skills Development Fund grant program is celebrating 20 years of success as the state’s premier training program in 2015-16. The fund was initiated by the Legislature in September of 1995 and first began awarding contracts in 1996. During that time the Skills Development Fund grants have created or upgraded more than 329,333 jobs throughout Texas. The grants have assisted 4,141 employers with their customized training needs. The Legislature allocated \$48.5 million to the Skills Development Fund for the 2016-17 biennium. Employers seeking more information about the Skills Development Fund may visit the TWC website at www.texasworkforce.org/skills.

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