



MEDIA ADVISORY

STATE LEADERS RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAM

Mobile Training Unit Provides Manufacturing Training to Those Who Have Served

(M.O.S.T.[®] Mobile Training Unit will be available for tours)

In this time of economic uncertainty, a number of military veterans will receive specialized training as part of Mobile Outreach Skills Training (M.O.S.T.[®]), a manufacturing training and placement program by the Massachusetts Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MassMEP). Following the completion of this program, Smith & Wesson will offer the graduates employment.

Details of why this training is so invaluable for the state, municipalities and out-of-work veterans will be discussed during a press conference at Smith & Wesson on **Thursday, April 14 at 3:30 p.m.**

WHAT:

An advanced Mobile Training Unit equipped with 3-D simulators and manufacturing machines is part of a unique Mobile Outreach Skills Training (M.O.S.T.[®]) program that can successfully place veterans, unemployed and underemployed workers into advanced manufacturing jobs after just two weeks of basic skills training.

This current program is funded in part by a U.S. Department of Labor \$500,000 grant. Additional funds for this training may be contributed by state, local and private-sector funding.

**WHEN: Thursday, April 14, 2011
3:30–4:15 p.m.**

WHERE: Front Lobby
Smith & Wesson
2100 Roosevelt Avenue
Springfield, MA

NOTE: Please allow at least 20 minutes in advance to go through security.

SPEAKERS: Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Timothy P. Murray

Massachusetts Secretary of Veterans Services Coleman Nee

PHOTO OPPORTY'S: Visuals of M.O.S.T. training unit

- Interviews with Lt. Gov Murray and Secretary Nee

Editor's Note: Members of the media are invited to tour the mobile training unit.

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