

NAM COVID-19 Update
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Spent this morning with Rear Admiral John Polowczyk, the leader of FEMA's Supply Chain Stabilization Task Force, and his team at FEMA to review the first batch of information from the more than 250 companies that have filled out the NAM–Business Roundtable survey. We shared with him the names of companies that have offered to provide or produce supplies and confirmed that the government will follow up directly with companies as needed. We were also able to raise some outstanding offers from our members that had gone unanswered for days—including offers to retool factories or provide technical assistance. The admiral assured us his team will act quickly to follow up with the companies in question.

As I have said before, this process—unprecedented for anyone in or out of government—has been frustrating at times. At the NAM, we are doing everything in our power to streamline the flow of information and push federal agencies for responses whenever necessary so that manufacturers can provide relief and supplies where they are needed most.

We will continue to share with FEMA manufacturers' capacity to aid in the COVID-19 response effort. **Whether you have filled out similar previous surveys or not, we are asking everyone to complete [this detailed form](https://brt.nam.org/?zs=R6Rih1&zl=tuEe6) as soon as possible:**
<https://brt.nam.org/?zs=R6Rih1&zl=tuEe6>

Here are some of the other recent developments:

Latest Information for You on Paycheck Protection Program Loans and More

As you know, small businesses could begin applying for Paycheck Protection Program loans this morning with their local lender. You can see who qualifies and how to apply for PPP and other loans and tax credits in an NAM overview here:

<https://documents.nam.org/comm/LoanandTaxOverviews5.pdf?zs=XU3be1&zl=mNpe6>

The Treasury Department has also released updated information announcing the implementation of the PPP loan program: <https://content.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2020-04/PPP--IFRN%20FINAL.pdf>

We will closely monitor the implementation of this new program and provide you with updates.

You can also access new application forms from the Treasury Department for borrowers (<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/Paycheck-Protection-Program-Application-3-30-2020-v3.pdf>) and lenders (<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/PPP-Lender-Application-Form-Fillable.pdf>) participating in the program.

NAM Monitoring Global Essential Business Guidance

The NAM team continues to closely monitor global actions that affect your ability to operate around the world, with a particular focus on Mexico and Canada. Mexico has released a new decree that defines a narrow set of industries and activities as essential in Mexico, resulting in considerable uncertainty for the supply chain for some essential critical infrastructure sectors in the United States. An unofficial English translation is available here:

<https://documents.nam.org/IEA/Decree%20extraordinary%20actions%20COVID19.pdf?zs=XU3be1&zl=uNpe6>

The Canadian federal government issued nonbinding guidance with a list of services and functions across 10 critical infrastructure sectors, and a number of Canadian provinces have released their own essential critical infrastructure guidance:

<https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/ntnl-scrtr/crtcl-nfrstrctr/esf-sfe-en.aspx>

You can see the full list of states and province actions in Mexico and Canada in the NAM's critical infrastructure guidance compendium document here:

http://documents.nam.org/IEA/Global%20Critical%20Infrastructure%20Guidance.pdf?_zs=XU3be1&_zl=wNpe6

Please contact NAM Senior Director of International Economic Affairs Ken Monahan with any questions regarding the NAM's essential critical infrastructure effort globally. For domestic questions, please contact NAM Vice President of Energy and Resources Policy Rachel Jones.

Recap of NAM–Manufacturing Leadership Council Employee Safety Call

A recap of Wednesday's NAM and MLC–hosted call discussing the best ways to mitigate the risk to your workforce, limit the spread of COVID-19 and ensure your manufacturing operations can continue is available here:

https://players.brightcove.net/5189648661001/e6V61uh3G_default/index.html?videoId=6146854628001

A helpful infographic is available here: https://www.manufacturingleadershipcouncil.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/MLC_COVID-19-Resource_My-Employee-Is-Sick-What-Do-I-Do-Now_chart.pdf

Please keep visiting the regularly updated nam.org/coronavirus site for the latest information, including state-specific resources. And email our Response Team at responseteam@nam.org with any questions or feedback.

Best,

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