JAPAN MANUFACTURING ENGINEER EXCHANGE

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The Japan Manufacturing Engineer Exchange program places Canadian engineers in Japanese manufacturing companies for up to one year. The program presents a unique opportunity for engineers in Canadian industry to gain first hand experience on the shop floors of some of the world-leading Japanese manufacturing operations. It will also facilitate the exchange of knowledge and ideas to build a foundation for future cooperation that will provide long-term benefits to both countries.

The three year program responds to recommedations made in the Canada-Japan Forum 2000 report presented to the two former Prime Ministers last December. It is implemented jointly by Industry Canada and the Japan External Trade Organization. Company matching is made based on information supplied by the Japanese hosts and the Canadian sponsoring companies in consultation with the candidate. The participating engineers will spend up to 3 months on language and cross-cultural training in Canada and another month of training in Japan. The work period in Japan is from 6 to 11 months.

The orientation in Canada is funded by the Japan Science and Technology Fund (JSTF). Other incurred costs, such as salary, transportation, etc. are cost shared between the JSTF and the Canadian sponsoring company. The orientation in Japan is funded by the Japanese government and the Japanese host company provides single person accommodation.

The program placed 7 engineers in January, 1994 and will be sending another 5 this fall.

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