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Labor Department awards MTI \$100,000 for green jobs training

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Department of Labor (DOL) has awarded \$100,000 to Mitchell Technical Institute (MTI) as part of a green jobs training grant.

The approved MTI proposal will provide training leading to national home energy raters and combine current building construction and HVAC programs with nationally recognized certifications. The program plans to serve 83 people.

“The purpose of the grant is to teach workers the skills required in emerging energy efficiency and renewable energy industries,” said State Labor Secretary Pam Roberts. “Mitchell Technical Institute will focus on energy efficiency auditing and remediation.”

All activities must lead to employment and teach competencies demanded by the target sector while supporting participants’ long-term career growth.

“The green jobs training grant will increase the opportunities for unemployed and dislocated workers to move into high-wage and high-growth occupations,” said Secretary Roberts.

South Dakota received \$2.5 million for the State Energy Sector Partnerships and Training Grant authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. To learn more about job training opportunities available through DOL, visit www.sdjobs.org.