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Sen. Barnitz Announces Job Development Funding in Rolla

JEFFERSON CITY- Sen. Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, today announced that Royal Canin USA, Inc. in Rolla will receive \$35,000 from the Missouri Job Development Fund through the Customized Training Program. The Customized Training Program, managed by the Department of Economic Development, works to reduce training costs and improve productivity for the purposes of creating and maintaining jobs for Missouri businesses.

“This funding provides quality employment as well as important learning opportunities in the community,” said Sen. Barnitz. “This is truly an instance where the state is investing in the future of the area’s economy.”

The grant is available for businesses to use for training costs such as curriculum development, instructional salaries, and training materials. During fiscal year 2007, the Customized Training Program helped 194 companies and eight training consortiums train more than 28,000 employees.

Royal Canin USA, Inc., a specialty pet food manufacturer, will use the \$35,000 reimbursement to train 100 employees. The company has been in business for more than 30 years and is present in 90 countries around the world.

“This is an example of state funds helping local communities where they need it most,” said Sen. Barnitz. “I am pleased this grant will make such an important impact and encourage other businesses in the area to take advantage of similar opportunities.”

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