

MILLER ELECTRIC CUTTING 165 JOBS

Miller Electric Manufacturing announced it is cutting 165 jobs, or about 12% of its work force of 1,400 in the Appleton, Wisconsin area. The company, which makes arc welding and plasma cutting equipment, blamed weak global economic conditions and a decline in demand. Miller is a subsidiary of Illinois Tool Works of Glenview, Illinois. It had announced 95 job cuts in November. In addition to the cuts, all Miller employees will take two weeks of unpaid time off this year, and the firm plans two non-consecutive weeks of plant shutdowns.

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