
OSHKOSH TO HIRE FOR \$1.1 BILLION PENTAGON CONTRACT



Oshkosh has been awarded a \$1.1 billion-with-a-"b" military contract, and will hire on new workers. The number of new jobs and the hiring time line have not been announced. Oshkosh, Wisconsin-based Oshkosh will manufacture thousands of mine-resistant, ambush-protected vehicles, or MRAPs, for the Afghanistan war. The firm has held unpaid furloughs and laid off workers this year to save money. McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania's JLG Industries, an Oshkosh subsidiary, will also benefit from the contract. JLG has laid off more than half of its 4,000-strong worldwide work force; under the contract, JLG may be able to rehire workers. Founded in 1917, Oshkosh Corporation is a manufacturer of specialty trucks and truck bodies for defense, industrial and fire emergency applications. It is based in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and employs 12,000 globally.

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