
PA MANUFACTURER CUTS ENTIRE STAFF



Gudebrod Inc. of Pottstown, PA announced on Monday that its entire staff had been laid off. W.E. "Nat" LeGrande Jr., president of Gudebrod Inc., remains hopeful that the layoffs will be temporary. Between 60 and 65 union and non-union workers received pink slips last Friday. "We are in the process of trying to bring in fresh financing," LeGrande says. "And I think we are going to be successful. I think it's going to happen." Gudebrod manufactures products such as medical cords, silk and synthetic sewing threads, fly-fishing thread, and braided lacing tape for the aerospace industry. "Our greatest desire is to reopen and start shipping again. We're very anxious to reopen and continue making quality products we've made here since 1976." LeGrande claims the company is close to obtaining new financing and vows to rehire the laid-off employees once this occurs.

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