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Manufacturing Extension Partnership – TI Automotive, Ashley, IN

“The TAP Manufacturing Extension Partnership is a great resource for organizations to enhance their business and obtain bottom-line results. With a variety of resources and experts to help with just about any problem, this is one of Indiana’s best-kept secrets. Now that we know about this great resource, we have been spreading the word – not just in Indiana, but in other states as well.”

**- Lori Casiano, Plant Manager
TI Automotive**

- *During the 2007–08 fiscal year, the TAP Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) launched a new Training Within Industry (TWI) initiative. This program aims to assist Indiana companies with advanced training efforts by combining lean manufacturing principles with core workforce training strategies.*



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TI Automotive is the world's leading supplier of fluid storage and transfer and delivery systems, including brake, fuel, and air conditioning applications. Headquartered in Warren, Michigan and Oxford, England, the company employs more than 16,000 workers at more than 110 facilities in 28 countries.

In March 2007, TI Ashley announced that, due to the addition of a new client in its customer base, it had been selected to expand its operation and increase employment by 15 percent. Working with TAP and the MEP's Training Within Industry (TWI) program, TI saw decreased quality mishaps by new employees across its manufacturing teams on the production floor.

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