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Expansion to bring 300 jobs to Paris

North American Lighting spending \$50M on project

BY ARTHUR FOULKES
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The rebounding auto industry is bringing hundreds of new manufacturing jobs to the Wabash Valley.

North American Lighting, an Edgar County, Ill.-based maker of automobile lighting, announced Thursday it is investing \$50 million to expand its Paris plant, creating 300 new jobs for the area.

Many of the new jobs will be at the operator level, which pay about

\$14 per hour, said Greg Conrad, North American Lighting president and chief operating officer.

The company, whose products include head lights and tail lamps, plans to construct a new, 200,000-square-foot facility for the expansion. Production is slated to begin in March of next year, Conrad said. NAL already operates from a 250,000-square-foot facility in Paris.

North American Lighting currently pulls workers from all across

the Wabash Valley, including Terre Haute, Conrad noted. The company will likely conduct job fairs in the fall, and large-scale hiring is expected in early 2014, he said.

On top of the 300 planned new jobs, NAL's investment will also mean even more indirect jobs through construction and other services, said Adam Pollet, director of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

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Growing: North American Lighting is adding 300 jobs to its workforce and investing \$50 million to expand its plant in Paris Ill.

Training Scenario

Wabash Valley police agencies spend day working together



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Work together and check your corners: Terre Haute Police Department officers Dale Blunk and Vince Billberry demonstrate the proper technique for entering an area in a building with an active shooter Thursday at the former Boys & Girls Club.

BY LISA TRIGG
TRIBUNE-STAR

After drilling together Thursday on how to respond to an active shooter, officers from several area police agencies are taking away a common approach to training.

In addition to ending a simulated threat inside the former Boys & Girls Club building on Third Street, officers from the Terre Haute Police Department, the Vigo County Sheriff's Department, West Terre Haute and Indiana State University also dealt with triage and victim evacuation as part of a weeklong training that continues next week with Indiana State Police participation.

"This training is a little different than in the past, because all of the agencies are now focusing on triage and evacuation," said Shawn Keen, assistant chief of the Terre Haute Police Department. "We are looking at dealing with not only the initial threat, but [with] the other situations."

All of the agencies have trained their officers differently to do the same things, Keen said, but that can work against officers who respond to a multi-agency situation.

"We've got to act as one unit when we respond," Keen said. "The mission is the safety of the people involved."

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Definitely watch those corners: Terre Haute Police Department officer Kevin Barrett shows what can happen if a law enforcement officer improperly rounds a corner of a building with an active shooter in it during training Thursday. Tribune-Star/Joseph C. Garza

Let your partner guide you: Terre Haute Police Department Sgt. Dale Blunk, right, describes how to work in sync with a partner, in this case fellow officer Vince Billberry, during an active shooter exercise Thursday. Tribune-Star/Joseph C. Garza



FBI releases photos of bombing suspects

Asking for public help in IDing two men

BY DENISE LAVOIE AND ADAM GELLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS • Boston

The FBI released photos and video Thursday of two suspects in the Boston Marathon bombing and asked for the public's help in identifying them, zeroing in on the two men on surveillance-camera footage less than three days after the deadly attack.

The photos depict one man in a dark baseball cap and the other in a white cap worn backward. The men were seen walking together in the crowd, and the one in the white hat was seen setting down a backpack at the site of one of the second explosion, said Richard DesLauriers, FBI agent in charge in Boston.

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City Council denies restaurant rezoning

Business owner says he will now have to close

BY ARTHUR FOULKES
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After about an hour of debate, the Terre Haute City Council voted Thursday to deny a rezoning request from a local restaurant, a move that could close the business and cost 10 people their jobs.

The council vote was 4-to-4 with one council member, Don Morris, D-at large, absent.

Five votes were needed to approve the rezoning requested by Tippecanoe Place, a restaurant at 21st and Tippecanoe streets on Terre Haute's near northeast side.

Speaking immediately after the vote, Curt Phillips, owner of the restaurant and banquet center, said he has no choice now but to close his business, putting 10 people out of work.

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