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Workforce Development Board Applies for Grant to Help Employees of QVC Rocky Mount Distribution Center

Washington, N.C. – The Rivers East Workforce Development Board has applied for a National Dislocated Worker Grant in the amount of \$275,000 to assist the employees of the QVC Rocky Mount Distribution Center that reside in the Rivers East region.

On December 29, 2021 a WARN notice was filed by QVC Rocky Mount, Inc's Rocky Mount Distribution Center announcing its closure after a tragic fire caused extensive damage to its facility. 1,953 employees will be separated from employment on/after February 1, 2022. Of those, over 200 live in the Rivers East region which includes Beaufort, Bertie, Hertford, Martin and Pitt counties.

If you were an employee of QVC Rocky Mount and reside in one of the following 5 counties, please visit your local NCWorks Career Center to learn more about the employment and training options available to you.

Beaufort County:

Visit 1502 North Market Street, Washington
Call 252.940.0900
Text QVC to 252.494.9627

Bertie County (*Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9am-3pm only*):

Visit 409 Granville Street, Windsor
Call 252.794.4861 ext.175
Text QVC to 252.618.0606

Hertford County:

Visit 109 Community College Road, Jernigan Building B, Ahoskie
Call 252.862.1257
Text QVC to 252.506.8787

Martin County:

Visit 407 East Boulevard, Williamston
Call 252.792.7816
Text QVC to 252.618.0606

Pitt County:

Visit 3101 Bismarck Street, Greenville

Call 252.355.9067

Text QVC to 252.549.4545

Jennie Bowen, Workforce Development Director states, "It is a difficult time for those that have been affected by this plant closure. Our NCWorks Career Center staff are ready to assist these individuals with their next step through career planning and training opportunities."

The Rivers East Workforce Development Board has already begun planning a local Job Fair for early February to help these dislocated workers connect with local employers in the Rivers East region. Interested employers can contact Jennie Bowen at jbowen@mideastcom.org or 252-974-1815 to receive more information.

The board's office is located at 1502 N. Market St., Suite A in Washington. For more information, call (252) 974-1815.

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