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DRMA RELEASES ITS 2019 MANUFACTURING TOP ISSUES LIST

DAYTON, OHIO – The Dayton Region Manufacturers Association (DRMA) has released its 2019 Top Issues List. DRMA’s Government Relations Committee conducts an annual survey to better understand issues that are important to its manufacturer company members in the Dayton Region.

As has been the case in the last six annual surveys, the shortage of skilled workers is the top issue. Technically skilled and productive workers are in very short supply in the Dayton Region. It is essential that a highly trained and skilled work force is available for manufacturing companies to be able to meet the demand for goods and services and to be able to offer high quality, high paying jobs that will assure a prosperous economy. DRMA members support initiatives that attract, retain, develop and train our workforce.

73 manufacturing companies throughout the region responded to this survey, up from the 61 in 2018. These responders answered questions ranging from the governmental issues that impact their business to the problems that they predict will affect their business in the coming year.

The Top Issues List is used to determine areas of focus and programs and services that DRMA can offer to help resolve these concerns. It is a part of DRMA’s promise to advocate and advance the interests of its members and the manufacturing industry as a whole. According to Scott MacDonald, MBA Program Director, University of Dayton, and a member of DRMA’s Board of Trustees, “The top issues list helps the DRMA be an effective voice for manufacturers in the region. By knowing what is most important to our members we can focus our efforts, activity and communication to best serve manufacturers.”

To view the full list [click here](#). For more information, visit the DRMA website at www.DaytonRMA.org.

The Dayton Region Manufacturers Association (DRMA) provides programming, education and peer-to-peer networking opportunities for members serving the aerospace, agricultural, medical, construction, defense and other markets. It represents 250 manufacturers in the Dayton Region and has over 420 member companies. Manufacturing is critical to the region’s economy, employing over 123,000 workers earning \$8.8 billion in annual payroll. For more information about DRMA, visit www.DaytonRMA.org.