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QCC Hosts Information Session for new Energy Utility Technology Program

WORCESTER, Mass. – Quinsigamond Community College will host an information session for its new Energy Utility Technology (EUT) program on Thursday, April 5, at 6 p.m. in the Administration Building, Room 107A, on campus. Quinsigamond, in collaboration with Middlesex and North Shore community colleges, received a \$1.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to develop new certificate and associate's degree programs in Energy Utility Technology.

The Colleges have partnered with National Grid, one of the nation's largest energy delivery organizations, to establish EUT programs at all three schools. The nine-month certificate program, which begins in September 2007, will provide students with a core set of skills and competencies required by the industry. Students completing the certificate program will take a concentration of courses in technical skills, as well as receive hands-on training in a real-world environment. Students may seek immediate employment or choose to continue their studies in the EUT Associate of Science degree program, which begins in fall 2008.

National Grid and other utility companies project an urgent, long-term need for trained, multi-skilled energy technicians to replace an aging workforce. Job opportunities are expected to be on the rise, with competitive compensation and potential for career growth.

Prospective students should attend the information session on Thursday, April 5, at 6 p.m. to learn more about the EUT program at Quinsigamond. Come to the College's main Administration Building Room 107A, located at 670 West Boylston Street in Worcester.

Those unable to attend the information night can contact the QCC Admissions office for more information about the Energy Utility Technology program: 508-854-4262.

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