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**PATRICK-MURRAY ADMINISTRATION CELEBRATES  
GROUNDBREAKING FOR WINCHENDON'S MYLEC PROJECT****State-supported project to create 15 new jobs and unlock expanded economic  
development opportunities in north central MA**

WINCHENDON - Friday, March 11, 2011 - Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray today joined officials from the Town of Winchendon to celebrate the groundbreaking of Mylec's new manufacturing facility. The expansion was facilitated by a \$300,000 MassWorks Infrastructure Program grant to the Town of Winchendon for local infrastructure upgrades. The program is part of the Patrick-Murray Administration's plan to advance long-term economic recovery and job growth throughout the Commonwealth. "I am pleased to join the Town of Winchendon and Mylec as we celebrate today's groundbreaking on this expansion project," said Lieutenant Governor Murray. "By partnering with growing companies like Mylec, the state has been able to make investments in public infrastructure that continue to support business growth, job creation, and help key industry sectors that are vital to the Commonwealth's long-term prosperity."

Mylec, a street hockey equipment manufacturer, owned and operated out of Winchendon for the past 40 years, plans to create 15 permanent full-time jobs. Through the \$300,000 MassWorks Infrastructure Program grant, the town has invested in public infrastructure improvements including the construction of a new road and a water expansion project into the Hillview Industrial Park. The project, which has advanced both on time and on budget, with only paving remaining to be completed this spring, now allows Mylec to begin the process of constructing its new 40,000 square foot manufacturing facility and creating jobs in Winchendon.

"It's great to have Lt. Governor Murray join us for today's groundbreaking celebration," said Ricky Laperriere, President of Mylec. "We appreciate the support of the Patrick-Murray Administration for their assistance to improve infrastructure in the Town of Winchendon, triggering Mylec's investment to stay and grow here."

"I am pleased to see this project moving forward," stated Senator Stephen Brewer. "The growth and success of businesses in our communities are keys to our recovery from this recession. We must continue to strive towards offering support to projects that will create more jobs now and sustain them in years to come. The funding from this grant will not only support the expansion of Mylec, but will also provide the infrastructure for future businesses at Hillview Industrial Park."

The Patrick-Murray Administration last year launched the MassWorks Infrastructure Program as a one-stop shop for municipalities seeking public infrastructure funding. The program consolidated six existing infrastructure programs, each aimed at supporting job creation and economic development, to provide increased efficiency, service, and communication when cities and towns apply for infrastructure grants and resources. This approach has reduced duplication, improved accountability, and provided for the most effective management of state resources.

To learn more about the MassWorks Infrastructure Program and how it is supporting job growth and long term, sustainable economic development, please visit: [www.mass.gov/eohed/infrastructure](http://www.mass.gov/eohed/infrastructure).

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