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MAYOR EMANUEL ANNOUNCES DOW WILL RELOCATE APPROXIMATELY 400 JOBS TO CHICAGO

New downtown facility will be regional center for multiple businesses, regional conference center.

During a speech to The Executive's Club of Chicago today, Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced that The Dow Chemical Company will be relocating approximately 400 new jobs to Chicago over the next three years.

"Dow's commitment to Chicago is a reflection of the great work ethic and business environment in the city," said Mayor Emanuel. "Dow's new office will be a gathering place, an easily accessible, central location in which business can be conducted and ideas will be exchanged. It will be great for the City of Chicago and great for the company as well."

The positions for Dow came together after a series of meetings between Mayor Emanuel, senior members of the Administration, and top officials from Dow.

"The creation of a Dow sales center in downtown Chicago is part of a strategic move to support Dow's growth agenda of becoming a more customer-oriented organization and increase sales in our specialty products portfolio," stated Heinz Haller, Dow Executive Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer. "The new Dow center is part of an office optimization program that will provide the opportunity for the sales organization from the Midwest to work closer together as well as participate in training programs and hold customer meetings at one location."

The positions at the facility will be primarily sales professionals who will service the entire Midwest.



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The commitment by Dow is the 13th announcement of new jobs for Chicago that Mayor Emanuel has announced during his administration, totaling more than 8,000 jobs. Dow received no incentives to create the positions in Chicago.

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