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NM manufacturing company expanding in the South Valley, adding jobs

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Milan-based Mt. Taylor Manufacturing will invest over \$1 million to expand their operations in the South Valley, New Mexico economic development officials announced Wednesday.

The expansion will create five new manufacturing jobs in addition to preserving 43 existing jobs in Milan, according to the New Mexico Economic Development Department.

"We're proud to add new jobs in the South Valley and continue growing our product line," owner of Mt. Taylor Manufacturing, Matthew Allen, said in a statement.

The Economic Development Department will contribute \$100,000 to the expansion through the state's closing fund, known as LEDA, a tool that recruits new businesses to the state while helping those that are already here grow and thrive.

Mt. Taylor Manufacturing opened in 1999 working with an existing wood moulding production company in Milan, New Mexico. It has since diversified to wood recycling, a wood pellet plant, an industrial machine shop and a sawmill. The company's recycling division, called Wood You Recycle!, is located in Albuquerque.

The company manufacturers lumber, home-heating wood pellets, chips for playgrounds and mulch for gardens and landscapes. With the expansion, it plans to increase the volume of production and begin producing food smoking pellets.

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