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Dear <First Name>,

The European Union (EU) has recently approved funding to support redundant construction workers in Ireland. This funding is provided by the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF). The purpose of the EGF is to provide training and other supports to assist redundant workers to get back to work.

Not all construction workers are eligible for support from the EGF. Because you were included in the list of redundant workers in certain sectors of the construction industry who were made redundant between 1st July 2009 and 30th March 2010 and on whose behalf an application was made to the EGF you are eligible for EGF support.

You may already have participated in supports funded by the EGF such as education or training courses or apprenticeship completion programmes. We are now offering you some more options. Please note that the courses and services now being offered to you must be completed before Friday 8th June 2012.

Career Planning Course

Your local Vocational Educational Committee (VEC) is offering a career planning course. This is a 30 hour course that will help you explore new career options. It will also help improve your job search skills. More information on the course is available on our website www.egf.ie. If you are interested in this course please call the EGF Construction Contact Centre on their free phone number 1800 303550.

EGF Training Grants

These grants pay course fees for approved courses in private education and training companies. More information on EGF Training Grants is on our website. If you wish to apply for an EGF Training Grant please complete the online application form available at www.egf.ie/tg. If you need assistance in completing this form please call the EGF Construction Contact Centre on their free phone number 1800 303550.

FÁS Courses

FÁS runs a wide range of training courses. Information on these courses is available on www.fas.ie. If you want to do one of the FÁS courses advertised on their website please contact your local FÁS office. Contact details for FÁS offices are available on www.egf.ie/fas.

Enterprise Supports

Your local City or County Enterprise Board is offering advice and grants, subject to standard eligibility criteria that prioritise the manufacturing and potentially exporting sectors, to people interested in starting a business. Contact details are on our website www.egf.ie. If you want to book a meeting to discuss what enterprise supports are available to you please call the EGF Construction Contact Centre at 1800 303550 to make an appointment for you.

If you want more information about the EGF or have other queries you can either phone the EGF Construction Contact Centre on their free phone number 1800 303550 or e-mail your query to info@egf.ie.

Only people who have received this letter and have been allocated an EGF Eligibility Number will be able to participate in any of the above offers. Your EGF Eligibility Number is **<Eligibility No.>**.

Please note, as a redundant apprentice in order to participate in any of the above offers you must produce verifiable evidence of the cessation of your employment as an apprentice during the period between 1st July 2009 and 31st March 2010 in the form of a letter from your employer or a copy of your P45.

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