

Atchison's Fargo to close in June

**(KAIR)--The Atchison branch of a manufacturing firm is set to close next month.**

**The closing date for Fargo Assembly of Atchison is set for June 28.**

**That's confirmed in a statement issued Thursday by the corporate ownership of the facility following inquiries made Wednesday by MSC Radio News.**

**According to the statement, the production will be moved from Atchison to other facilities owned by Electrical Components International, Inc.**

**The Saint Louis, Missouri-based company purchased Fargo Assembly Atchison in February, 2017.**

**Wire harnesses and related cable assemblies are manufactured at Fargo, which has operated in Atchison since 1997. The facility is located at 2002 U.S. Highway 59.**

**The release gives no reason for the decision to close, and does not specify the number of employees affected.**

**A followup email sent by MSC News wasn't immediately returned.**

**Among Fargo's [customers](#) is Harley Davidson, which [closed](#) its Kansas City manufacturing plant last year.**

**In a statement released to MSC News Thursday afternoon, Atchison City Manager Becky Berger connected the closure to Fargo's departure.**

**She said that while "it's always disappointing to hear about a business in [the Atchison] community" closing it's doors, [the City] knew Atchison's [Fargo] location would feel the repercussions of the Kansas City Harley Plant closure."**

**Berger said when the City began to hear rumors about layoffs, they reached out and offered to help connect Fargo employees that were laid off to local employers known to be hiring. Berger added that the offer still stands.**

It's always disappointing to hear about a business in our community closing its doors, but we knew Atchison's location would feel the repercussions of the Kansas City Harley plant closure. We reached out when we began hearing rumors about layoffs and offered to help connect employees that were laid off to local employers we know to be hiring and that offer still stands. There are several local employers unable to fill available positions so hopefully the additional

workforce from Fargo helps alleviate that problem.

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