

Hanna: 70 new jobs headed to DFAS in Rome

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Richard Hanna (R,C,I-Barneveld) today announced up to 70 new jobs are headed to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service in Rome, N.Y.

After a study, DFAS determined it could streamline DFAS Travel Pay operations from three locations – Rome, Indianapolis and Columbus – to one site in Rome to improve processes and generate savings for the agency.

Two operations will be moved to Rome: the Civilian PCS travel pay function in Columbus, OH and the contracted Call Center function in Indianapolis.

The movement will occur in two phases. First, the Indianapolis transition of work will occur in October of 2011. Next, the implementation and transfer of the DFAS Columbus workload is scheduled to begin in March 2012.

“This is great news for Upstate New York,” Congressman Hanna said today. “My congressional office is fully committed to growing DFAS and all the federal agencies in Rome, in conjunction with the many private sector businesses there. We should be very cognizant of looking for opportunities to continue to expand and capitalize on the work going on there.”

In January, Hanna appointed former state Sen. Ray Meier to act as a liaison between all the federal agencies in Rome to facilitate continued growth between the public and private sectors.

The congressman announced during a Rome Chamber of Commerce event that month that he is committed to fostering economic growth and strengthening the federal agencies in Rome including: the Air Force Research Laboratory, Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS), Eastern Air Defense Sector (EADS), the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) outpatient clinic. It is a top priority, Hanna said.

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