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To: Chief Elected Officials
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Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
Department of Career Services

Date: December 22, 2017

Subject: **Retail Technology National Dislocated Worker Grant – New Operator**

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Development Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and partners of a new operator for the Retail Technology National Dislocated Worker Grant.

Background: Massachusetts was awarded \$2,563,789 for the Retail Technology National Dislocated Worker Grant with a performance period of July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2018. Initially operated under Partnerships for a Skilled Workforce (PSW) serving the Metro South West workforce development area, the grant has been assigned a new operator - Metro North Regional Employment Board. The Metro North REB is now responsible for grant performance, ensuring eligibility of customers, quarterly reporting, and closeout. The four companies involved in the Retail Technology National Dislocated Workers Grant include:

- EMC (Hopkinton, MA)
- BOSE, (Westborough, MA)
- Gannett Publishing (Norwood, MA)
- Staples HQ (Framingham, MA)

Funding remains available. Questions regarding the grant can be directed to:

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Attachments: A. Justification Form
B. ITA Request Form
C. Master Agreement Template