

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF CAREER SERVICES

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Dear Employer:

The U.S. Department of Labor has announced that America's Job Bank (AJB) will cease operations effective June 30, 2007. We are aware that some Massachusetts employers with federal contracts use AJB to meet federal regulations requiring them to list their positions with AJB or with the appropriate local employment service office. The pending loss of AJB has prompted inquiries regarding services available from the Massachusetts Department of Workforce Development's Division of Career Services (DWD/DCS).

Employers may contact the Business Service Representative at any of the State's One-Stop Career Centers, listed at www.mass.gov/eolwd, for assistance in listing their jobs. Employers can post individual job openings directly to the TalentQuest/JobQuest job bank managed by DWD/DCS. This service is free of charge. Please note that TalentQuest/JobQuest does not currently accept bulk file transfers as AJB has done.

To post a job to the Commonwealth's online job bank an employer must first register on the TalentQuest website (www.mass.gov/eolwd). Registration is simple and designed to ensure that your business information remains secure.

Beginning June 25, 2007, we are able to offer <u>additional options for employers</u> <u>with single and multiple job postings</u> through an agreement between the DWD/DCS and DirectEmployers Association, a non-profit association providing these services under an agreement with the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA).

DirectEmployers will offer the following job posting options on its *JobCentral National Labor Exchange* **at no cost** to employers.

- 1) Post individual job openings for display on the *JobCentral.com* website.
- 2) DirectEmployers can index your corporate career website to identify job openings and display this information on the *JobCentral* website.

3) Upload job postings via bulk file transfers for display on the *JobCentral* web site (as previously done with AJB), if indexing is not an option.

The Massachusetts TalentQuest/Job Quest website will direct job seekers to *JobCentral* so that all jobs posted on the *JobCentral* site will be accessible through the State's job bank system. Jobs posted on Talent Quest/Job Quest will also be available on the *JobCentral* site.

Employers who are interested in the free service offered through *JobCentral* should complete the form provided at http://www.jobcentral.com/indexingrequest.asp.

Please direct any questions to Job Central Member Services at 317.874.9000 or email at info@jobcentral.com.

Employers who want to learn more about services offered by the Commonwealth's One-Stop Career Centers should contact Joseph Isles, Manager of Business Services for the Division of Career Services, by email at jisles@detma.org or by phone at 617-626-5682.

Sincerely,

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