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LIMITED HIRING CLIMATE ANTICIPATED FOR BELLEVILLE

(Belleville, ON, March 13, 2018) – Belleville area employers expect a limited hiring climate for the second quarter of 2018, according to the latest ManpowerGroup Employment Outlook Survey.

“Survey data reveals that 10 per cent of employers plan to hire for the upcoming quarter (April to June), while three per cent anticipate cutbacks,” stated Cathy McAllister of Manpower’s Belleville office. Another 80 per cent of employers plan to maintain their current staffing levels in the upcoming quarter, while the remaining seven per cent are unsure of their hiring intentions.

“With seasonal variations removed from the data, Belleville’s second quarter Net Employment Outlook of four per cent is a two percentage point decrease when compared to the previous quarterly Outlook,” said McAllister. “It is also a decrease of three percentage points compared with the Outlook reported during the same time last year, indicating a slow hiring pace for the upcoming months.”

“The second quarter of 2018 is expected to see steady gains for Canadian job seekers,” said Yvonne Tennenbaum, Regional Director for Manpower Canada. “While Canada experienced a net loss of jobs in January, prospects for the upcoming quarter remain strong, led by exceptionally strong growth in Quebec where employers are hiring across multiple sectors.”