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UPBEAT HIRING CLIMATE ANTICIPATED FOR DURHAM REGION

(Durham Region, ON, March 13, 2018) – Durham Region employers expect an upbeat hiring climate for the second quarter of 2018, according to the latest ManpowerGroup Employment Outlook Survey.

“Survey data reveals that 20 per cent of employers plan to hire for the upcoming quarter (April to June), while two per cent anticipate cutbacks,” stated Eileen Gittens of Manpower’s Pickering office. Another 78 per cent of employers plan to maintain their current staffing levels in the upcoming quarter.

“With seasonal variations removed from the data, Durham Region’s second quarter Net Employment Outlook of 17 per cent is a two percentage point increase when compared to the previous quarterly Outlook,” said Gittens. “It is also an increase of 13 percentage points compared with the Outlook reported during the same time last year, indicating a steady 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.”