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#### **POSITIVE HIRING CLIMATE ANTICIPATED FOR NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY**

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

“Survey data reveals that 13 per cent of employers plan to hire for the upcoming quarter (April to June), while three per cent anticipate cutbacks,” stated Eileen Gittens of Manpower’s Pickering office. Another 84 per cent of employers plan to maintain their current staffing levels in the upcoming quarter.

“With seasonal variations removed from the data, Northumberland County’s second quarter Net Employment Outlook of 10 per cent is a five percentage point increase when compared to the previous quarterly Outlook,” said Gittens. “It is also an increase of one 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.”