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#### **LIMITED HIRING CLIMATE ANTICIPATED FOR FORT ERIE**

(Fort Erie, ON, March 13, 2018) – Fort Erie 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 Erica Melarangeli of Manpower’s St. Catharines office. Another 77 per cent of employers plan to maintain their current staffing levels in the upcoming quarter, while the remaining 10 per cent are unsure of their hiring intentions.

“With seasonal variations removed from the data, Fort Erie’s second quarter Net Employment Outlook of zero per cent is a two percentage point decrease when compared to the previous quarterly Outlook,” said Melarangeli. “It is also on par when compared with the Outlook reported during the same time last year, indicating a reserved 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.”