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#### **SOLID HIRING CLIMATE ANTICIPATED FOR BURNABY-COQUITLAM**

(Burnaby/Coquitlam, BC, March 13, 2018) – Burnaby and Coquitlam area employers expect a solid hiring climate for the second quarter of 2018, according to the latest ManpowerGroup Employment Outlook Survey.

“Survey data reveals that 21 per cent of employers plan to hire for the upcoming quarter (April to June), while two per cent anticipate cutbacks,” stated Richard Plumb of Manpower’s Burnaby-Coquitlam office. Another 75 per cent of employers plan to maintain their current staffing levels in the upcoming quarter, while the remaining two per cent are unsure of their hiring intentions.

“With seasonal variations removed from the data, Burnaby and Coquitlam’s second quarter Net Employment Outlook of 18 per cent is a six percentage point decrease when compared to the previous quarterly Outlook,” said Plumb. “It is also an increase of eight percentage points compared with the Outlook reported during the same time last year, indicating a mild 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.”