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SLUGGISH HIRING CLIMATE ANTICIPATED FOR SASKATOON

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

“Survey data reveals that three per cent of employers plan to hire for the upcoming quarter (April to June), while seven per cent anticipate cutbacks,” stated Stepan Arman of Manpower’s Regina office. Another 90 per cent of employers plan to maintain their current staffing levels in the upcoming quarter.

“With seasonal variations removed from the data, Saskatoon’s second quarter Net Employment Outlook of -2 per cent is a four percentage point decrease when compared to the previous quarterly Outlook,” said Arman. “It is also a decrease of 16 percentage points compared with the Outlook reported during the same time last year, indicating a weak 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.”