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Workforce Services Division – Research & Analysis Bureau

May 23, 2013

To: Montana State Workforce Investment Board (SWIB) Executive Committee Members

Dear SWIB Executive Committee Member,

As the Research and Analysis Bureau (R&A) Chief, I want to thank you for your partnership and support during the last year. I also need to ask for a moment of your time.

It is time again to submit our program year (PY) 2013 Workforce Information Grant application. As some of you may remember from previous years, the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) requires the SWIB Chair to co-sign the grant application with the Commissioner of the Montana Department of Labor and Industry. In preparation for the upcoming SWIB Executive Committee meeting and agenda item to discuss this approval, I am providing this letter and three attachments. Hopefully they will provide you all the information and background you need to discuss and approve our grant application.

For ease of understanding the ETA Workforce Information Grant process, I recommend reading the attachments in the order presented:

- 1) **PY 2011 Workforce Information Grant Montana Performance Report**: this seven-page document details Montana's accomplishments in meeting the deliverables for the PY 2011 Workforce Information Grant. This report is provided for information purposes only. The PY 2012 Performance Report will not be accomplished until after the end of PY 2012 (July 2012).
- 2) **Background Paper on Requirements for the PY 2013 Workforce Information Grant**: this document discusses the required and encouraged deliverables for PY 2013 and outlines R&A plans to address each of the deliverables. R&A plans no significant departures in PY 2013 from how we addressed the deliverables in PY 2012. The transmittal letter for the PY 2013 WIG Work Certification requires SWIB approval, signified by the SWIB Chair's signature. (Signature page provided to Chairman Copps separately.)
- 3) **Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 29-12**: This 12-page document is the overarching guidance for our PY 2013 grant, and is provided for your additional information.

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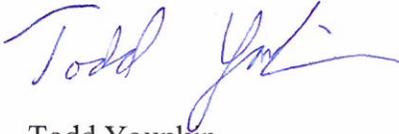
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We look forward to your discussion and anticipated approval of our PY 2013 grant application.

If you have any questions, please call me at 444-3293, or email me at [tyounkin@mt.gov](mailto:tyounkin@mt.gov).

Sincerely,



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Attachments:

PY 2011 Workforce Information Grant Montana Performance Report  
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TEGL 29-12

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