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Mr. William Warren, Executive Director
DirectEmployers Association
9002 Purdue Rd, Suite 100
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Dear Mr. Warren:

Please accept my appreciation for the value that the partnership between DirectEmployers and National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA) has brought to Arkansas' labor exchange system. In particular, I would like to cite the efforts and the outstanding working relationship that we have developed with Christy Merriman. Ms. Merriman has been a remarkable asset in working with the state to grow our job bank.

Thanks to your efforts and technology, our database of job openings has increased from an average of 1,300 to consistently over 10,000 each day in the past five years. We expect this number to grow even larger as we continue to work together to add employer career sites.

DirectEmployers has provided Arkansas with tremendous synergy in the labor exchange arena. We have unquestionably benefited from this partnership.

Sincerely,


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