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April 23, 2002

Re: 2003 Governor's Awards for
Excellence in Workforce Development

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Attention: Work First Program Administrators and Supervisors

The Commission on Workforce Development is planning its Workforce Development Partnership Conference scheduled for October 22-24, 2003, at the Greensboro Sheraton at Four Seasons Hotel. The annual Governor's Awards for Excellence in Workforce Development will be presented during the conference at a banquet on October 23. Again this year, the awards will give recognition to outstanding workforce participants and an outstanding employer.

We strongly encourage your agency to submit nominations for the following categories: Outstanding Employer, Outstanding Workforce Development Adult Participant, Outstanding Workforce Development Youth Participant, and Outstanding Workforce Development Younger Youth. Outstanding Employer nominations should focus on how the business has positively contributed to the state/local economy and improved workforce training and employment opportunities. Nominations for the Outstanding Workforce Development Adult Participant, Outstanding Workforce Development Youth Participant, and Outstanding Workforce Development Younger Youth should focus on individuals who have realized exemplary accomplishments based on successfully participating in and completing a workforce development program. Specific requirements for the nomination process are included as an attachment to this letter.

Nominations are due to the Commission on Workforce Development **no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 23, 2003**. Late or faxed nominations cannot be accepted. The agency director must sign each nomination form and letters of support must be attached.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this opportunity to nominate workforce program participants and employers for the 2003 Governor's Awards for Excellence in Workforce Development.

Sincerely,

Wilbert R. Morris, Chief
Economic Independence Section

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Attachments
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