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The Honorable Eric J. Holcomb
Governor of Indiana
State House, Second Floor
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Governor Holcomb:

Thank you for your request of a waiver of statutory and regulatory provisions of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), submitted on March 23, 2018 (copy enclosed). This letter provides the U.S. Department of Labor (Department), Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) official response to the State's request, and memorializes that Indiana will meet the outcomes and implement the measures identified to ensure accountability agreed to by Indiana and ETA. This action is taken under the Secretary's authority to waive certain requirements of WIOA Title I, Subtitles A, B, and E, and sections 8-10 of the Wagner-Peyser Act in WIOA section 189(i).

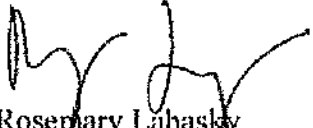
Requested Waiver: Indiana is requesting a waiver of the State Workforce Development Board (SWDB) membership requirements at WIOA Sec. 101(b)(1) and (c) and the corresponding regulations at 20 CFR 679.110(b)-(c).

The State of Indiana is requesting a waiver to substitute the WIOA State Board membership requirements with the requirements promulgated in Indiana Senate Enrolled Act 50, which created the Governor's Workforce Cabinet. The State affirms that this waiver will streamline board size, increase coordination between employers and state government, and improve board accountability. ETA reviewed the State's waiver request and plan and has determined that the requirements requested to be waived impede the ability of Indiana to implement its plan to improve the workforce development system. Therefore, ETA approves this waiver for Program Years 2018 through 2020 (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020).

Due to WIOA's emphasis on alignment and coordination among multiple programs to improve effectiveness of services, ETA encourages the Governor's Workforce Cabinet to continue to actively engage in WIOA implementation with State Board membership groups that are no longer represented.

The ETA Chicago Regional Office is available for further discussion and to provide technical assistance to the State to support achieving its goals. Should you have questions or wish to explore additional flexibility, feel free to contact the State's Federal Project Officer, Steven Scott, at (312) 596-5439 or scott.steven@dol.gov.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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