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TO: Registered Apprenticeship Program Sponsors

DATE: December 19, 2024

SUBJECT: Registered Apprenticeship Program Inclusion on the South Carolina Eligible Training Provider List

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the opportunity to have information about your registered apprenticeship program made available on the South Carolina Statewide Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) as an approved training provider.

The benefits of listing your registered apprenticeship program on the ETPL include the following:

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds may be available to offset the cost of apprenticeship on-the-job and/or classroom training
- Recruitment and screening of qualified apprenticeship candidates by SC Works center staff

WIOA is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market, and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. Under WIOA, eligible participants in need of training services may access career training through a list of approved training providers and training programs, referred to as the ETPL.

In South Carolina, apprenticeship programs registered with the U.S. Department of Labor's, Office of Apprenticeship, are automatically eligible to be included on the ETPL. Registered apprenticeship program sponsors that request to be included on the ETPL will remain as long as the program is registered or until the program sponsor submits notification that it no longer wishes to be on the list. While automatically eligible, a registered apprenticeship program sponsor must first indicate their interest in being included on the ETPL.

Registered apprenticeship program sponsors may request, at any time, to be added to the ETPL as an approved training provider. Any such requests must be communicated to the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce through the completion of an abbreviated application accessed through the Palmetto Academic and Training hub (PATh) online system at <a href="https://www.scpath.org/Search/EligibleTrainingProviderList">https://www.scpath.org/Search/EligibleTrainingProviderList</a>.

Questions regarding the South Carolina Registered Apprenticeship ETPL should be directed to <u>scetplsupport@dew.sc.gov</u>

Sincerely,

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