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Mr. Thom Campbell, Office of Community Services
Administration for Children and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
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Arlington, Virginia 22209

Dear Mr. Campbell:

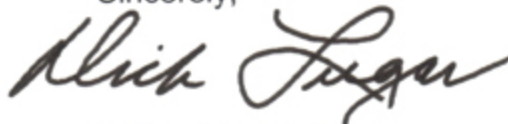
I am writing on behalf of the Workforce, Inc. of Indianapolis, Indiana and their application for federal assistance to implement a Job Opportunities for Low Income Individuals assisted training program. I am supportive of these efforts and pleased to see the array of local and national organizations committing their resources and talents to this effort.

This project will create a new business venture directed to recycling old computer equipment. The proposed project has a number of societal benefits. It also has great potential to advance the skills and transition of formerly incarcerated individuals into the workforce and do so in a supportive environment designed to ease their transition into full time employment. The coordination and cooperation with the child enforcement agency and the state provider of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) will also increase child support for current and former TANF recipients. In addition, I believe that this program has the opportunity to assist with reducing recidivism of ex-offenders in Indiana's corrections system.

I am supportive of this grant application submitted to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration of Children and Families. As you continue your work in this important area, I am hopeful every consideration will be given to the merits of this organization's interest in developing this program.

Thank you for your review of these comments on behalf of Workforce, Inc.

Sincerely,



Richard G. Lugar
United States Senator

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cc: Ms. Barbara Ziegler-Johnson, Administration for Children and Families, HHS
Mr. Gregg Keesling, President, Workforce, Inc.