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CT Department of Labor *Communications Office*
Sharon M. Palmer, Commissioner

Labor Department Taking Part In June 4 CT Business Expo

WETHERSFIELD, June 3, 2015 – Connecticut Department of Labor employees will meet with employers, provide information about agency services, and participate in a panel discussion during the June 4 *CT Business Expo* held at the Connecticut Convention Center.

The Expo, runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and features a variety of state agencies and educational institutions, including the Department of Economic and Community Development, the American Red Cross, CTFastrak/CTrides, the U.S. Postal Service and the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Janice Albert and Donna Smith, of CT DOL's Business Services unit, will take part in an employer workshop – "Developing Your Workforce" – to be held from 3-3:30 p.m. and will meet with employers to explain agency services geared to benefit local companies. Programs include the Step Up wage incentive initiative, incumbent worker training opportunities, tax credits and more. The Office of Research's Michael Polzella will share an exhibit booth with the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics and can answer questions about the state's labor markets, industry statistics and recent jobs reports.

"Our participation in the CT Business Expo provides us with an excellent opportunity to meet with individuals or business representatives to let them know about the many programs and services our agency offers," said State Labor Commissioner Sharon M. Palmer. "Questions ranging from employment and recruitment services available in the state's *American Job Centers* to wage regulations, safety services, or unemployment insurance benefits can all be answered at the Expo."

Admission to the CT Business Expo is free. The Connecticut Convention Center is located at 100 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford. Those unable to attend the Expo can explore agency workforce services at www.ct.gov/dol.

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