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The Honorable Rick Snyder
Governor
P.O. Box 30013
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Dear Governor Snyder,

On behalf of Die-Tech & Engineering, I would like to express our appreciation for the workforce development services provided by West Michigan Works! Die-Tech is a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility producing precision injection molds and aluminum and zinc die-cast dies for diverse industries throughout West Michigan and the Midwest. We have been in business for 35 years and currently have 60 employees, including engineers, mold-makers, CNC machinists, and office staff.

We connected with West Michigan Works! because we were expanding our facility and purchasing new, larger 5-axis CNC equipment expand our capabilities and keep up with the growth of our customer base. Michigan Works! provided assistance with reviving our apprenticeship program to fill the vacancies in our skilled trades department. We have 8 new apprentices on the path to become journeyman-certified mold-makers and CNC machinists. Some of them will continue on, while earning skilled-trades wages, to become degreed engineers to work in the manufacturing industry. As they progress through their training, we will continue to work with Michigan Works! to hire new apprentices.

Our company has benefited by working with West Michigan Works! because they helped with the administrative tasks of setting up and maintaining the apprenticeship program so that we can focus on the on-the-job training of the apprentices while satisfying our customer demands in a timely manner.

Sincerely,



Sandra Berry, CFO
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