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The Honorable Rick Snyder  
Governor  
P.O. Box 30013  
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Snyder,

On behalf of Koppel Industries, I would like to express our appreciation for the workforce development services provided by West Michigan Works! We are a small CNC Machine shop that specializes in precision machining. The owner started the business in 1999 with aspirations to work with Mazak machines and provide quality components for a multitude of industries. We service several industries such as; aerospace, fuel transport, motion control, railroad, alternative energy, and furniture.

I connected with West Michigan Works! because I needed assistance with developing team members skill level to increase the capability of our business. I have been struggling with filling operator positions with skilled individuals. Although we train in house, we are unable to provide a level of technical training that would increase their level of knowledge on setting up and programming machines. Michigan Works! helped me reach my goal of training a new set up person for our mills to help facilitate faster job changeovers.

My company has benefited by working with West Michigan Works! because they have a wealth of resources to facilitate training and recruitment. Not to mention everyone is pleasant to work with and they are extremely helpful.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Lonnee  
Director of Operations  
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