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TO: Governor's Workforce Investment Board (GWIB) Board Members

FROM: Secretary, Leonard J. Howie III
Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulation (DLLR)

DATE: December 12, 2012

RE: Latest Maryland Jobs Numbers

The latest BLS report shows that Maryland gained 14,000 jobs during October, more than doubling last year's September to October gain of 5,900 jobs. This is the largest increase for-the-month since 1999, and marks Maryland's third consecutive month of job gains. The private sector was the sole source of job generation in October. The preliminary September jobs report that indicated an increase of 9,800 jobs was today revised to a gain of 9,500 jobs.

- **Maryland Seasonally Adjusted Jobs**

Within Maryland's private sector, sizeable gains were recorded in a number of sectors. Professional and Business Services were up by 3,900 jobs, with gains of 4,700 in Professional, Scientific & Technical Services boosting the sector. Within Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, firms engaged in computer systems design and scientific R&D activities supported the sector expansion. Professional and Business Services has been the leading job producer over the past year, expanding at a rate of 5.1 percent and adding 20,300 jobs to Maryland's business payrolls since October 2011.

In addition, Trade/Transportation /Warehousing/Utilities advanced by 3,700 jobs – with the retail trade component propelling the sector. Leisure & Hospitality gained 3,700 jobs over-the-month, a gain predominantly reinforced by strength shown in food services industries. Education/Health Care was up by 2,700 jobs over-the-month and Natural Resources/Mining/Construction gained 2,300 jobs.

- **Unemployment**

According to the BLS, Maryland's preliminary October unemployment rate dropped by two tenths of a percentage point to 6.7 percent. The preliminary September rate remained unchanged with revision – holding steady at 6.9 percent.

Attachments:

- LAUS Chart
- CES Chart

**State of Maryland
Civilian Labor Force, Employment, and Unemployment by Place of Residence
October 2012**

| Area | Civilian Labor Force | | Employment | | Unemployment | | Unemployment Rate | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| | Oct 2012 | Sept 2012 ^r | Oct 2012 | Sept 2012 ^r | Oct 2012 | Sept 2012 ^r | Oct 2012 | Sept 2012 ^r |
| <i>Seasonally Adjusted</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Maryland | 3,094,639 | 3,078,766 | 2,886,061 | 2,865,084 | 208,578 | 213,682 | 6.7 | 6.9 |
| United States | 155,641,000 | 155,063,000 | 143,384,000 | 142,974,000 | 12,258,000 | 12,088,000 | 7.9 | 7.8 |
| <i>Not Seasonally Adjusted</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Maryland | 3,118,386 | 3,085,730 | 2,920,571 | 2,884,536 | 197,815 | 201,194 | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| United States | 155,779,000 | 155,075,000 | 144,039,000 | 143,333,000 | 11,741,000 | 11,742,000 | 7.5 | 7.6 |

^r revised

Maryland Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
Seasonally Adjusted
(in thousands)

| | Oct 2012 | Sept 2012r | Oct 2011 | Percent Change from Oct 2011 |
|--|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Total Nonfarm | 2,595.0 | 2,581.0 | 2,561.7 | 1.3 |
| Natural Resources, Mining & Construction | 149.5 | 147.2 | 147.0 | 1.7 |
| Manufacturing | 107.6 | 110.0 | 112.5 | -4.4 |
| Durable Goods | 56.3 | 57.4 | 60.5 | -6.9 |
| Nondurable Goods | 51.3 | 52.6 | 52.0 | -1.3 |
| Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities | 448.4 | 444.7 | 443.0 | 1.2 |
| Wholesale Trade | 86.7 | 86.2 | 88.0 | -1.5 |
| Retail Trade | 287.4 | 284.1 | 280.1 | 2.6 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities | 74.3 | 74.4 | 74.9 | -0.8 |
| Information | 43.0 | 42.6 | 43.2 | -0.5 |
| Financial Activities | 140.0 | 138.3 | 142.2 | -1.5 |
| Finance and Insurance | 98.9 | 98.2 | 100.6 | -1.7 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing | 41.1 | 40.1 | 41.6 | -1.2 |
| Professional and Business Services | 419.0 | 415.1 | 398.7 | 5.1 |
| Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services | 242.8 | 238.1 | 228.7 | 6.2 |
| Management of Companies & Enterprises | 22.6 | 22.6 | 21.9 | 3.2 |
| Administrative & Support Services | 153.6 | 154.4 | 148.1 | 3.7 |
| Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance | 421.6 | 418.9 | 416.0 | 1.3 |
| Educational Services | 78.4 | 77.0 | 80.0 | -2.0 |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 343.2 | 341.9 | 336.0 | 2.1 |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 237.5 | 233.8 | 232.1 | 2.3 |
| Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation | 33.9 | 33.4 | 34.4 | -1.5 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 203.6 | 200.4 | 197.7 | 3.0 |
| Other Services | 119.2 | 118.5 | 115.6 | 3.1 |
| Government | 509.2 | 511.9 | 511.4 | -0.4 |
| Federal Government | 145.8 | 146.9 | 148.3 | -1.7 |
| State Government | 112.6 | 113.6 | 114.9 | -2.0 |
| Local Government | 250.8 | 251.4 | 248.2 | 1.0 |

Maryland Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
Not Seasonally Adjusted
(in thousands)

| | Oct 2012 | Sept 2012r | Oct 2011 | Percent Change from Oct 2011 |
|--|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Total Nonfarm | 2,613.8 | 2,590.8 | 2,580.4 | 1.3 |
| Natural Resources, Mining & Construction | 153.3 | 152.3 | 150.8 | 1.7 |
| Manufacturing | 108.2 | 110.0 | 113.0 | -4.2 |
| Durable Goods | 56.4 | 57.2 | 60.6 | -6.9 |
| Nondurable Goods | 51.8 | 52.8 | 52.4 | -1.1 |
| Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities | 448.8 | 444.0 | 443.5 | 1.2 |
| Wholesale Trade | 87.4 | 87.1 | 88.7 | -1.5 |
| Retail Trade | 286.3 | 281.5 | 279.1 | 2.6 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities | 75.1 | 75.4 | 75.7 | -0.8 |
| Information | 42.8 | 42.5 | 43.0 | -0.5 |
| Financial Activities | 139.8 | 138.9 | 142.0 | -1.5 |
| Finance and Insurance | 98.8 | 98.3 | 100.5 | -1.7 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing | 41.0 | 40.6 | 41.5 | -1.2 |
| Professional and Business Services | 423.5 | 419.0 | 403.1 | 5.1 |
| Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services | 242.7 | 237.2 | 228.7 | 6.1 |
| Management of Companies & Enterprises | 22.5 | 22.5 | 21.8 | 3.2 |
| Administrative & Support Services | 158.3 | 159.3 | 152.6 | 3.7 |
| Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance | 425.6 | 418.4 | 419.8 | 1.4 |
| Educational Services | 80.8 | 76.0 | 82.3 | -1.8 |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 344.8 | 342.4 | 337.5 | 2.2 |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 234.8 | 241.2 | 229.5 | 2.3 |
| Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation | 32.8 | 35.8 | 33.4 | -1.8 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 202.0 | 205.4 | 196.1 | 3.0 |
| Other Services | 119.0 | 118.5 | 115.4 | 3.1 |
| Government | 518.0 | 506.0 | 520.3 | -0.4 |
| Federal Government | 145.6 | 145.9 | 148.0 | -1.6 |
| State Government | 116.6 | 113.0 | 119.0 | -2.0 |
| Local Government | 255.8 | 247.1 | 253.3 | 1.0 |

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