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Cleveland/Cuyahoga workforce area to launch “**EMPLOYMENT CONNECTION ONLINE**”

Employment Connection, the public workforce system, will have an online component to facilitate greater access to employment information and services.

CLEVELAND – April 28th 2008 – As companies continue to close, downsize or otherwise lay off its workforce, increasingly more workers find themselves out of a job. To help serve those affected, Employment Connection, the public workforce system, is launching **Employment Connection Online**, powered by empyra OneFlow.

This new online system, which can be accessed through www.employmentconnection.us, offers online workshops including: resume development, interviewing techniques, writing cover letters and job search tips. The site also provides information about the services available at Employment Connection (EC) Centers, which are located throughout Cuyahoga County.

Job seekers can use **Employment Connection Online**, at their convenience, for assistance in finding their next job, learning more about EC services, and finding answers to their employment and career questions. The online site provides each jobseeker with personalized information as well as uniform access to services from the comfort of their home. Job seekers enter employment and demographic information into the web-based system and it transfers that information to the correct format for resumes and cover letters as well as registration forms for access to services.

“This online service benefits the jobseekers as well as the employers, states Lauren Atkins, Deputy Director, Cuyahoga County Department of Workforce Development.” “Employers can benefit from this service by offering the website address to their workers as soon as lay offs are announced. Employees can use the online service while they are still employed and may not have time to come into one of our centers for services.”

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