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FROM: Shirley Christensen, Special Assistant

**SUBJECT: QUARTERLY EMPLOYMENT PLACEMENTS AND AVERAGE WAGES
FOR THE GAIN CASE MANAGEMENT AREAS – JANUARY THROUGH
MARCH 2006**

Attached, for your information, is the Cumulative Employment Placements and Average Wages for the GAIN Case Management Areas report as of March 31, 2006. As indicated, we are providing your offices with quarterly reports. Please note that March 2006 reflects the final month in the three-month cumulative period, which began January 1, 2006. The report reflects the following principal findings:

- MAXIMUS Region II achieved a cumulative placement rate of 2.95%, which is 56.4% lower than the DPSS non-contract area cumulative rate of 6.77%. Their cumulative average wage is \$8.95, exceeding the average wage in the DPSS non-contract area by 6.0%.

As a new contractor to this area, MAXIMUS Region II was focusing on organizing and reconstructing the inherited caseload before providing effective and full service. Additionally, full staffing needs had not been met during this period and there was a considerable learning curve for the new staff.

- MAXIMUS Region VII achieved a cumulative placement rate of 5.09%, which is 24.8% lower than the DPSS non-contract area cumulative rate of 6.77%. Their cumulative average wage is \$9.16, exceeding the average wage in the DPSS non-contract area by 8.5%.

The Department has a cumulative placement rate of 6.20% as of March 2006 for the three-month contract period.

I am available if you have any questions.

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Attachment

c: Brian Mahan

**Cumulative Employment Placements and Average Wages
for the GAIN Case Management Areas*
as of March 31, 2006**

CASE MANAGEMENT AREA	Employment Placements			Average Wage	
	Cumulative* Placements	Cumulative* Placement Rate	Percent** Difference	Cumulative* Average Wage	Percent** Difference
DPSS Non-Contract	6,298	6.77%		\$ 8.44	
MAXIMUS Region II (West San Fernando, Palmdale, Santa Clarita)	413	2.95%	-56.4%	\$ 8.95	6.0%
MAXIMUS Region VII (East San Fernando)	381	5.09%	-24.8%	\$ 9.16	8.5%
Department Total	7,092	6.20%		\$ 8.51	

*For the 3-month period January 2006 through March 2006

** This is the percent difference for the contract areas relative to the DPSS Non-Contract area.