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Our organization is seeking an annually renewable subscription to a comprehensive web-based forecasting analysis service that provides an analysis tool for labor, economic, and market research; and limited consulting services which will provide a means to organize regional employment information. This service will provide economic analysis and forecasting of education, workforce, and economic development, as well as private sector analysis for the SEMCA region.

The functionality our organization seeking is:

- The ability to strategically combine data primarily covering regional occupation, demographics, business, education, population, and post secondary institutions and programs.
- A tool that merges multiple data from multiple sources to produce customized reports that satisfy the following criteria:

Industry related reports that provide a workforce oriented view of the regional economy. Specifically,

- Basic Region Information
- Growth Rates (Regional, Statewide, and Nationally)
- Top Occupations in Selected Industries
- The Distribution of Industry Occupations Based on Area
- Industry Concentration

Occupation related reports that integrate industry information and organize regional employment information by occupation. Specifically focusing on the following:

- Projection reports of occupational job openings that will demonstrate the potential job openings due to both growth and replacement job vacancies.
- Reports on median wages and wage growth rates for selected occupations in selected industries with the ability to compare the earning potential of each occupation.
- Compatibility reports that use statistical data to assume the most important skill areas and identify similarities and differences between

occupations, as well as the education and skills needed for identified occupations.

Industry scenario related reports that provide a function for the introduction of multiple variables for outcome analysis. Specifically,

- Reports that provide statistical data on earnings changes in selected occupations.
- Statistical data on changes in large industries for an identified region.

Important Information Resources:

Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth

Bureau of Labor Market Growth

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Federal Bureau of Economic Analysis

U.S. Census Bureau

County Business Patterns (CBP)

Nonemployer Statistics (NES)

U.S. Department of Commerce

U.S. Department of Education

U.S. Dept. of Education's National Center for Education Statistics IPED database

Quotes and report samples must be submitted to: SEMCA, attention Susan Corey, Senior Workforce Development Program Manager at susan.corey@semca.org, no later than **Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 12p.m. (E.S.T.)**.