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**Job Fair for Displaced Mining and Steel Workers to be Held on Tuesday
*Open to the Public; More than 50 Employers to Attend***

BROOKWOOD – The Alabama Career Center System, in partnership with West Alabama Works, will host a job fair on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the G.G. Hardin Center in Brookwood.

The job fair is aimed at helping displaced mining and steel workers in the area get back into the workforce, but is open to the public.

“This is the second job fair we’ve held over the past few week in this area because we know that hundreds of steel and coal industry employees have been laid off in the past few months,” said Alabama Department of Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald Washington. “The first job fair, in Jasper, was a tremendous success, and more than 1,000 people came out to find jobs. This tells us that these efforts are appreciated by the community, and we’re glad to be there to provide any assistance we can.”

More than 50 employers are scheduled to attend, including: Mercedes-Benz, Alabama Power, DCH Health Systems, and Home Depot, among others.

Nearly 40 people attended a job preparation workshop held this week in order to help prospective employees prepare for the job fair. Staff from the Tuscaloosa Career Center coached applicants in résumé preparation, interview skills, and how to dress for success.

The Alabama Career Center System’s mobile career center along with staff from the Tuscaloosa Career Center will be onsite at the job to assist jobseekers in applying for jobs.

Applicants should come to the job fair with their résumés, be prepared to interview, and should be dressed professionally.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 9, 2016
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

WHERE: G.G. Hardin Center
15689 Alabama Highway 216
Brookwood, AL 35444

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