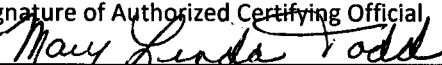




## FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT First Quarter 2010

<p>1. Recipient Organization (<i>Name and complete address including zip code</i>)          New York State Education Department          89 Washington Avenue          Albany, New York 12234</p>	<p>2. Award Identification Number           Grant No. 36-42-B10016</p>
<p>3. Performance Narrative (Q1)  <i>Please describe your project activities and progress for the first quarter of 2010. This should include a description of federal expenditures to date, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any delays or challenges. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., equipment purchases, outreach activities, training programs) to help structure your answer. (500 words or less)</i></p> <p>Since the grant was awarded on February 1, activities have focused on following State Education Department (SED) procurement procedures in preparation to pay out award funds to the project's PCC partners. New York State currently does not have an approved State budget for 2010-2011. Appropriation language must be approved and included in either an approved State budget or a budget extender bill for approval to be given to expend award funds. \$0 of federal funds were expended for the first reporting quarter. While waiting for the State budget process to move forward, many preparation activities to begin the project have taken place: a conference call with the PCC partners to identify responsibilities and Next Steps; a project website development team has been established and website development has begun; the procurement process for the online 24/7 job resource tool has been started with the establishment of a review team and the occurrence of software vendor demos; the creation of a "BTOP" listserv for PCC partners; PCC partners have initiated beginning steps in the hiring and equipment purchase process; the announcement of the grant award has been made through appropriate media venues and federal reporting requirements have been met.</p>	
<p>4. Performance Projections (Q2)  <i>Please describe your anticipated project activities and progress for the next quarter. This should include a description of federal expenditures, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any potential delays or challenges you foresee. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., equipment purchases, outreach activities, training programs) to help structure your answer. (500 words or less)</i></p> <p>The project's second quarter progress depends on when the State budget or the appropriate State budget extender bill containing the approval language to expend award funds is passed. Currently, it is expected that \$0 of federal funds will be expended in the second reporting quarter, but it is anticipated that no federal award funds will be returned as SED is working through the process to ensure all funds are awarded through federal guidelines. The following activities can still be done without the budget process moving forward: the project website can become operational; continued communication with the PCC partners through the BTOP listserv, the project website and additional conference calls; the PCC partners can define job qualification requirements (with the assistance of SED/the State Library) for the staff to be hired; the PCCs will continue to research equipment purchases, using the minimum standards defined by SED/the State Library; the PCC partners, assisted by SED/the State Library, can begin to develop outreach and evaluation plans. If the budget appropriation language is approved, the process to award grant funds to PCC partners can move forward along with the procurement process for the online 24/7 job resource tool and the procurement process for hiring a project evaluator.</p>	
<p>5. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.</p>	
<p>5a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official          Mary Linda Todd, Library Development Specialist II          Project Director: NY Computer Centers: <a href="mailto:Broadbandexpress@yourlibrary">Broadbandexpress@yourlibrary</a>          New York State Education Department/New York State Library</p>	<p>5c. Telephone (<i>area code, number and extension</i>)          518-486-4858</p>
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<p>5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official  </p>	<p>5e. Date Report Submitted (<i>Month, Day, Year</i>)          May 17, 2010</p>

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