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C. Describe how any waivers or workflex authority (both existing and planned) will assist the State in developing its workforce investment system. (§§189(i)(1), 189 (i)(4)(A), and 192 .)

MDOL currently has a waiver in place to delay the application of "Subsequent Eligibility of Training Providers" requirement for all students, which expires on June 30, 2005. MDOL is requesting an extended waiver to postpone the application of "Subsequent Eligibility of Training Providers" requirements for "all students" until June 30, 2007. Granting this waiver will enable MDOL to establish an effective statewide system for consistently and uniformly collecting performance information among all training providers. Despite that, an aggressive effort has been underway since 2001, to design a system that promotes the intent and spirit of WIA, to provide informed customer choice and provider accountability, training providers are struggling to adopt uniform systems for collecting and reporting performance information for "all students". In consultation with the state's relatively small training provider community we are committed to fulfilling the requirements of the Act and will continue in accordance with Maine's plan to implement a Subsequent Eligibility application, review and approval process.

D. Performance Management and Accountability. Improved performance and accountability for customer-focused results are central features of WIA. To improve, states need not only systems in place to collect data and track performance, but also systems to analyze the information and modify strategies to improve performance. (See Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 15-03, Common Measures Policy, December 10, 2003.) In this section, describe how the State measures the success of its strategies in achieving its goals, and how the State uses this data to continuously improve the system.

1. Describe the State's performance accountability system, including any state-system measures and the state's performance goals established with local areas.

All CareerCenter programs are routinely evaluated and monitored to ensure that program outcomes and service delivery options are aligned with the State's and Federal goals. The quarterly review process includes program evaluation and monitoring of WIA Title I, Wagner-Peyser and Trade Assistance Act (TAA) for compliance and quality. Maine statutes governing the Maine