Advance Comment on the Unemployment Rate Announcement Provided by Global Staffing Company Kelly Services

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WHAT: Advance comment on the unemployment rate announcement provided by global staffing company Kelly Services.

WHO: Carl Camden, president and chief operating officer, Kelly Services.

DETAILS: The following commentary is offered in advance of the December unemployment rate announcement due Friday from the U.S. Department of Labor:

"While we expect to see another positive jobs report, the continued shift of consumer purchasing away from traditional retail outlets to the Internet could have somewhat reduced traditional retail hiring.

"We continue to see strong demand for permanent employees across all market sectors and good demand for temporary employees. Higher-end, credentialed positions are experiencing the most growth, coupled with the expected seasonal increase in retail jobs. The manufacturing sector experienced moderate activity, but still remains weak.

"Overall, we saw steady growth in the fourth quarter and we believe the economy and jobs market will continue to strengthen and gather momentum as we move forward into the New Year."

WHEN: Friday, Jan. 6

About Kelly Services

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