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### Merger Objectives

- •Improve customer service for
- employers seeking employees
- employees seeking work
- •Consolidate and improve workforce development efforts
- •Leverage labor market data to enhance economic development
- •Maximize savings in state and federal resources
- •Explore solutions to service debt / gain solvency in UI Trust Fund



### Merger Planning

- Joint work sessions between Commerce Secretary & ESC Chair
- Joint work sessions between Sr. Management Teams
- Joint work sessions between counterpart Divisions
  - ➤ Commerce Policy Research Strategic Planning ESC Labor Market Information
  - ➤ Commerce Division Workforce Development ESC – Employment Services
  - ➤ Commerce Human Resources ESC – Human Resources
  - Commerce FiscalESC Fiscal



#### Merger Next Steps

- Begin execution of reorganization for merger on November  $1^{\rm st}$
- Complete "NC Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Solvency & Title XII Debt Study"
- Use best practices and lessons learned for continual improvement
- Board of Review



## ESC of NC-NC Commerce Merger

- Q&A
- Thank You

