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***UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FALLS TO LOWEST POINT SINCE 2001,
ENZI SAYS; 6.8 MILLION NEW JOBS CREATED SINCE AUGUST 2003***

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Mike Enzi (R-Wyo.), Chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee, today praised a report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) showing that payroll employment increased by 92,000 in October dropping the nation’s unemployment rate to its lowest point in over five years - a low 4.4 percent.

“Today’s BLS announcement is proof positive that the economy is continuing on the right track,” Enzi said. “We must continue to pursue a pro-growth policy approach by continuing to ease the tax burden on America’s working families and controlling government spending, which will further spur economic growth and lower the deficit.”

Under Republican leadership, the U.S. economy has created 6.8 million new jobs since August 2003. It has also resulted in 38 months of sustained job creation, including a 4.1 percent jump in hourly earnings in the first part of this year, dramatically improving the standard of living for many Americans.

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