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Announcement of 2013 Best Companies to Work for in New York State

Albany (May 2, 2013) – On April 30, 2013, 50 companies with operations in the Empire State were recognized for their outstanding achievements in employee engagement. They were honored as the *Best Companies to Work for in New York State* at an awards event in Albany, during which their ranks were revealed and the top winners named.

Created in 2007, these celebrated, sixth annual awards are part of a distinctive program that evaluates and ranks the best places of employment. This statewide survey and awards program is designed to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in New York, whose practices benefit the State's businesses, economy, and workforce.

The list of honorees is comprised of 50 companies in a wide array of industries split into two groups based on size: small/medium-sized employers with 5-249 U.S. employees and large employers with more than 250 associates. [A ranked list of honorees is provided at the end of this release.]

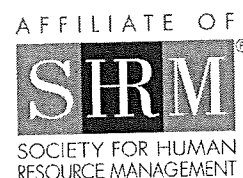
To be considered for participation, organizations had to fulfill specific registration eligibility requirements, then participate in a two-part survey of employee satisfaction and engagement, as well as workplace practices and policies. Best Companies Group, an independent firm that manages Best Places to Work programs on state, regional and national levels around the world, conducted the survey process, then evaluated the results and determined the best places of employment in the Empire State.

"What makes this program unique is how the rankings are derived. Each company is not judged by an outsider, but by their own employee base. The very people who make it happen day in and day out are critiquing their workplace. You understand that feedback from your employees is invaluable to improving satisfaction and business results," said Lorri Zelman, event emcee and chair of the program for the New York State Society for Human Resource Management (NYS-SHRM).

In addition to recognition at the awards event, a special publication highlighting each company's unique employment perks is available to view online at www.BestCompaniesNY.com.

The 2013 *Best Companies to Work for in New York State Awards* are sponsored by Capital District Physicians' Health Plan (CDPHP®) and Jackson Lewis, LLP. The program is a partnership of NYS-SHRM, Best Companies Group and The Business Council of New York.

For more information about the 2013 program or about participating in the 2014 awards, visit www.BestCompaniesNY.com or contact Best Companies Group at 1-877-455-2159.



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SMALL / MEDIUM EMPLOYERS (15 to 249 U.S. employees)

- 1 **Bernstein Medical - Center for Hair Restoration** *New York, NY*
- 2 **Conductor, Inc.** *New York, NY*
- 3 **Annese & Associates, Inc.** *Clifton Park, NY*
- 4 **MBMS, Inc.** *Amherst, NY*
- 5 **First American Equipment Finance** *Fairport, NY*
- 6 **Nigel Frank International** *New York, NY*
- 7 **Genesee Regional Bank** *Rochester, NY*
- 8 **Fibertech Networks, L.L.C.** *Rochester, NY*
- 9 **SeaComm Federal Credit Union** *Massena, NY*
- 10 **Peconic Landing at Southold, Inc.** *Greenport, NY*
- 11 **HR Works, Inc.** *Fairport, NY*
- 12 **Gold Bullion International (GBI)** *New York, NY*
- 13 **FurtherEd** *New York, NY*
- 14 **Solomon Page Group LLC** *New York, NY*
- 15 **Quorum Federal Credit Union** *Purchase, NY*
- 16 **LECESSE Construction Services, LLC** *West Henrietta, NY*
- 17 **Specialist Staffing Solutions** *New York, NY*
- 18 **Ambrose** *New York, NY*
- 19 **The Hayner Hoyt Corporation** *Syracuse, NY*
- 20 **Vanteon Corporation** *Fairport, NY*
- 21 **New York Container Terminal, LLC** *Staten Island, NY*
- 22 **ACCESS Physical Therapy & Wellness** *Montgomery, NY*
- 23 **Pharos Systems International** *Rochester, NY*
- 24 **Pinckney Hugo Group** *Syracuse, NY*
- 25 **UTC RETAIL** *Victor, NY*
- 26 **Veramark Technologies, Inc.** *Rochester, NY*
- 27 **Outreach** *Richmond Hill, NY*
- 28 **Reliant Community Federal Credit Union** *Sodus, NY*
- 29 **Rusk Renovations, Inc.** *New York, NY*
- 30 **Northland Communications** *Utica, NY*

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LARGE EMPLOYERS (250 or more U.S. employees)

- 1 Edward Jones Binghamton, NY
- 2 Acorda Therapeutics, Inc. Ardsley, NY
- 3 DeCrescente Distributing Co., Inc. Mechanicville, NY
- 4 Rothstein Kass New York, NY
- 5 Curtis Instruments Inc. Mount Kisco, NY
- 6 Horizon Health Services Buffalo, NY
- 7 Capital District Physicians' Health Plan, Inc. (CDPHP®) Albany, NY
- 8 Anchin, Block & Anchin LLP New York, NY
- 9 Discovery Communications, Inc. New York City, NY
- 10 Yodle New York, NY
- 11 Digitas New York, NY
- 12 Independent Health Buffalo, NY
- 13 Quick Chek Corporation Florida, NY
- 14 The Pike Company, Inc. Rochester, NY
- 15 Visiting Nurse Service of New York New York, NY
- 16 Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union Poughkeepsie, NY
- 17 HealthPlus Amerigroup New York, NY
- 18 Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. Lake Success, NY
- 19 Goldberg Segalla LLP Buffalo, NY
- 20 Common Ground New York, NY

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