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Twenty Two Businesses Named As Best Places to Work in Vermont

Vermont Business Magazine and the Vermont Chamber of Commerce have announced the top twenty two Best Places to Work in Vermont 2012. The awards program was created in 2006 and is presented in partnership with the Society for Human Resource Management, Vermont State Council, (SHRM), the Vermont Department of Labor and the Vermont Department of Economic Development and Best Companies Group.

This statewide survey and awards program was designed to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in Vermont, benefiting the state's economy, its workforce and businesses.

2012 Best Places to work in Vermont winners in alphabetical order are:

Small/Medium Size Companies (15-149 employees)

ASIC North, Inc.
Farm & Wilderness Foundation
Fuse
Gallagher, Flynn & Company, LLP
Heritage Aviation
Hickok & Boardman Financial Planning &
Group Benefits, Inc.
Instrumart
Liquid Measurement Systems, Inc.
Resource Systems Group Inc.
Seventh Generation
Sonnax Industries, Inc.

Large Companies (150 or more employees)

BioTek Instruments, Inc.
Comcast Cable
Country Home Products
Edward Jones
Energy Vermont Yankee
Green Mountain Coffee Roasters, Inc.
King Arthur Flour
Merchants Bank
Vermont Energy Investment Corporation

To be considered for participation, companies had to fulfill the following eligibility requirements:

- Have at least 15 employees working in Vermont;
- Be a for-profit or not-for-profit business or government entity;
- Be a publicly or privately held business;
- Have a facility in the state of Vermont; and
- Must be in business a minimum of 1 year.

Companies from across the state entered the two-part process to determine the Best Places to Work in Vermont. The first part consisted of evaluating each nominated company's workplace policies, practices, and demographics. This part of the process was worth approximately 25% of the total evaluation. The second part consisted of an employee survey to measure the employee experience. This part of the process was worth approximately 75% of the total evaluation. The combined scores determined the top companies and the final ranking. Best Companies Group managed the overall registration and survey process in Vermont and also analyzed the data and used their expertise to determine the final rankings.

Who will be number one?

The final rankings for each category will be announced at a special on April 5, 2012 at a location to be determined..

For more information on the Best Places to Work in Vermont program, visit <http://BestPlacesToWorkinVT.com> or contact Valerie thornburg at 717-909-1570.

For more information on the event or to register for the event contact Delaney Meeting and Event Management at 802-865-5202 or email info@delaneymeetingevent.com.

About Vermont Business Magazine

Since 1972, VBM has been the leading source of statewide Vermont business news and data. It publishes every month, in addition to three annual publications: The Vermont Business & Manufacturers Directory (May), The Book of Lists (August), and the Ask the Experts/Business Profiles (December). VBM also sponsors or co-sponsors several business awards events: Vermont Centennial Business Awards (March); Best Places to Work in Vermont (March); Deane C Davis Outstanding Vermont Business of the Year Award (May); Vermont SBA Small Business Person of the Year (June); 5x5x5 Growth Awards (September); and Vermont Rising Stars (November).

About the Vermont Chamber of Commerce

The Vermont Chamber of Commerce, the largest statewide, private, not-for-profit business organization, represents nearly every sector of the state's corporate/hospitality community. Our mission is to create an economic climate conducive to business growth and the preservation of the Vermont quality of life.