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Rankings Announced for State's 'Best Places to Work' at Indiana Chamber Awards Dinner

May 5, 2009 (INDIANAPOLIS) — Companies setting the standard with their workplace practices were honored this evening before a record crowd at the Indiana Roof Ballroom as the Indiana Chamber unveiled rankings for the 70 companies from throughout the state that made the 2009 Best Places to Work in Indiana list (which was released March 2).

Performance Services, a design-build engineering and construction firm, topped the small to medium-sized employer category while construction management company Shiel Sexton grabbed first place among large employers. For both Indianapolis-based businesses, this marked the first time in the top spot.

The 2009 Best Places to Work in Indiana program was presented by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield and in partnership with Ready Indiana. It honors the top companies in the state, as determined through employer reports and comprehensive employee surveys. Winners were selected from two categories: small to medium-sized companies of between 25 and 249 employees, and large-sized companies consisting of 250 or more employees. Out-of-state parent companies were eligible to participate if at least 25 full-time employees are in Indiana.

The Best Companies Group, which handled the selection process, oversees similar programs in 19 other states.

"Each company on this list understands how important it is for the success of a business to have a culture that respects and values employees," states Indiana Chamber President Kevin Brinegar. "These businesses demonstrated that in a variety of ways – from fostering open communication and teamwork to providing training opportunities and more unique job benefits."

More information about the Best Places to Work companies is available via a special section of the May/June issue of the Indiana Chamber's *BizVoice®* magazine, a statewide publication released tonight and accessible online at www.bizvoicemagazine.com.

At the dinner, representatives from all designated companies were presented with Best Place to Work awards of excellence. In addition to the *BizVoice®* magazine feature, honorees were also recognized through the statewide media resources of *Inside INdiana Business with Gerry Dick*. Other program partners are the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and the Indiana Youth Institute.

All companies that participated in the 2009 Best Places to Work program receive an in-depth evaluation identifying strengths and weaknesses according to their employees. In turn, this report can be used in developing or enhancing employee retention and recruitment programs. For more information on the Indiana Chamber's Best Places to Work program, go to www.bestplacestoworkIN.com. Companies can sign up to be notified by e-mail when application details for the fifth annual competition are announced this summer.

Companies ranked in all four years of the Best Places to Work in Indiana program: Ash Brokerage Corporation (Fort Wayne); Bowen Engineering Corporation (Indianapolis); Columbus Regional Hospital; Crowe Horwath (Indianapolis); Edward Jones (multiple locations); Fort Wayne Metals Research Products Corporation; Goshen Health System; Katz, Sapper & Miller (Indianapolis); KPMG LLP (Indianapolis); Safety Management Group (Indianapolis); and VMS (Indianapolis).

Program sponsors for 2009, in addition to Anthem and Ready Indiana, are Ball State University, Crowe Horwath, Horseshoe Casino, Image Air Charter, M & I Bank, Mussett Nicholas & Associates, Nucor Steel, Roche Diagnostics, Saint Clair Press, Tilson HR and Trilogy Health Services, LLC.

The full list of the 2009 Best Places to Work in Indiana companies by ranking:

Large Companies (250 or more employees)

Rank	Company	Primary Indiana Location
1	Shiel Sexton Company, Inc.	Indianapolis
2	Edward Jones	Multiple locations
3	The Capital Group Companies, Inc.	Indianapolis
4	Centier Bank	Merrillville
5	St. Joseph Hospital	Kokomo
6	Bowen Engineering Corporation	Indianapolis
7	ExactTarget	Indianapolis
8	Ernst & Young, LLP	Indianapolis
9	Katz, Sapper & Miller	Indianapolis
10	Goshen Health System	Goshen
11	M&I Bank	Indianapolis
12	Interactive Intelligence, Inc.	Indianapolis
13	BSA LifeStructures	Indianapolis
14	Hancock Regional Hospital	Greenfield
15	Trilogy Health Services	Multiple locations
16	Fort Wayne Metals Research Products Corporation	Fort Wayne
17	American Structurepoint, Inc.	Indianapolis
18	Bingham McHale LLP	Indianapolis
19	Columbus Regional Hospital	Columbus
20	Union Hospital Health Group	Terre Haute
21	Good Samaritan Hospital	Vincennes
22	Monarch Beverage Company Inc.	Indianapolis
23	Group RCI	Carmel
24	Ice Miller LLP	Indianapolis
25	Crowe Horwath LLP	Indianapolis
26	Schneck Medical Center	Seymour
27	Harrison College (formerly Indiana Business College)	Indianapolis
28	Clark Memorial Hospital	Jeffersonville
29	1st Source Bank	South Bend
30	Mike's Carwash, Inc.	Indianapolis

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Small to Medium-sized Companies (25-249 employees)

Rank	Company	Primary Indiana Location
1	Performance Services, Inc.	Indianapolis
2	Gregory & Appel Insurance	Indianapolis
3	The Heavyweights, Inc.	Indianapolis
4	ANGEL Learning, Inc.	Indianapolis
5	Turner Construction Company of Indiana, LLC	Indianapolis
6	WestPoint Financial Group	Indianapolis
7	United Consulting	Indianapolis
8	Krieg DeVault LLP	Indianapolis
9	AIT Laboratories	Indianapolis
10	Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company	Fort Wayne
11	Schmidt Associates	Indianapolis
12	eTapestry	Greenfield
13	Hall Render Killian Heath & Lyman PC	Indianapolis
14	Colliers Turley Martin Tucker	Indianapolis
15	Harding Poorman Group, Inc.	Indianapolis
16	KPMG LLP	Indianapolis
17	The Estridge Companies	Carmel
18	RW Armstrong & Associates, Inc.	Indianapolis
19	Hosparus Inc.	New Albany
20	Ash Brokerage Corporation	Fort Wayne
21	Fusion Alliance, Inc.	Indianapolis
22	Employment Plus	Bloomington
23	Cannon IV	Indianapolis
24	Bamberger, Foreman, Oswald and Hahn, LLP	Evansville
25	MJ Insurance, Inc.	Indianapolis
26	Design Collaborative, Inc.	Fort Wayne
27	Jackson Systems, LLC	Indianapolis
28	Pepper Construction Company of Indiana, LLC	Indianapolis
29	Milestone Contractors, LP	Multiple locations
30	J.C. Hart Co., Inc.	Carmel
31	Double-Take Software	Indianapolis
32	Midwest Mole, Inc.	Indianapolis
33	Mussett, Nicholas & Associates, Inc.	Indianapolis
34	Blue & Co., LLC	Carmel
35	Safety Management Group	Indianapolis
36	First Harrison Bank	Corydon
37	VMS	Indianapolis
38	Matrix Integration, LLC	Jasper
39	Public Safety Medical	Indianapolis
40	August Mack Environmental, Inc.	Indianapolis

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