

The Eighth Annual "Best Places to Work in Maine" Announces The #1 Companies In The State

Portland, ME—October 11, 2013— Pittsfield-based CIANBRO is ranked #1 "Best Places to Work in Maine" in the large company category. Putney, Inc., located in Portland, took the same honor in the small/medium category at The Society for Human Resource Management's (SHRM) Maine State Council's awards and recognition dinner held last night at the Italian Heritage Center in Portland.

The assessment process, administered by the Best Companies Group, evaluated each company's employee policies and procedures, as well as responses from the company's employees to a survey. In August, the Best Companies Group released a list of the 60 companies who made the cut as the overall Best Places to Work. The program marks the most recent step in a long-term initiative to encourage growth and excellence throughout all Maine companies.

The rankings for all 60 companies that made the "2013Best Places to Work in Maine" list were announced last night to a packed house of more than 500 people:

Large Company Category (250 plus U.S. Employees)

- 1. Cianbro, Pittsfield
- 2. Edward Jones, Eliot
- 3. Athenahealth, Inc., Belfast
- 4. Bangor Savings Bank, Bangor
- 5. Tyler Technologies, Inc. Yarmouth
- 6. L.L. Bean, Inc., Freeport
- 7. Barclays, Wilton
- 8. Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems, Brewer
- 9. Unum, Portland
- 10. Cintas Corporation, Westbrook
- 11. T-Mobile USA, Oakland
- 12. InterMed P.A., South Portland
- 13. Consigli Construction Co., Inc., Portland

Small/Medium Company Category (15 to 249 U.S. employees)

- 1. Putney, Inc., Portland
- 2. Maine Community Health Options, Lewiston
- 3. Portland Webworks, Inc., Portland
- 4. Patriot Subaru, Saco
- 5. Kepware Technologies, Portland
- 6. Sage Data Security, LLC, Portland
- 7. Day One, South Portland
- 8. FISC Solutions, Lewiston
- 9. Town & Country Federal Credit Union, South Portland
- 10. Franklin Savings Bank, Farmington
- 11. TruChoice Federal Credit Union, South Portland
- 12. Infinity Federal Credit Union, Westbrook
- 13. Allagash Brewing Company, Portland
- 14. MMG Insurance Company, Presque Isle
- 15. Winxnet, Portland
- 16. Maine State Credit Union, Augusta
- 17. Maine Savings Federal Credit Union, Hampden
- 18. Albin, Randall & Bennett, CPAs
- 19. Hall Internet Marketing, Scarborough
- 20. Maine Community Foundation, Ellsworth
- 21. Machias Savings Bank, Machias
- 22. Plixer, Kennebunk
- 23. Skowhegan Savings Bank, Skowhegan
- 24. Kleinschmidt, Pittsfield
- 25. Holden Agency Insurance, Portland
- 26. Mechanics Savings Bank, Auburn
- 27. Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences, East Boothbay
- 28. MOUNTAIN, LTD, New Gloucester
- 29. GreenPages Technology Solutions, Kittery
- 30. Oxford Federal Credit Union, Mexico
- 31. Allen Insurance and Financial, Camden
- 32. PeoplesChoice Credit Union, Saco
- 33. SeniorsPlus, Lewiston
- 34. CashStar Inc., Portland
- 35. Hydro International, Portland
- 36. Legacy Publishing Company, Westbrook
- 37. Nurse Anesthesia of Maine, Brewer
- 38. Liquid Wireless, Portland
- 39. Connectivity Point Design and Installation, Auburn
- 40. Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, Bar Harbor
- 41. Androscoggin Bank, Lewiston
- 42. Maine Center for Cancer Medicine, Scarborough
- 43. BONNEY Staffing Center, Portland

- 44. Bernstein Shur, Portland
- 45. Maine Credit Union League/Synergent, Portland
- 46. CUSO Mortgage Corp, Hampden
- 47. BlueTarp Financial, Inc., Portland

The 2013 Best Places to Work in Maine program, sponsored by Bernstein Shur, recognizes companies who have established and consistently fostered outstanding workplace environments. Partners endorsing the program include: Best Companies Group, Maine HR Convention, The Maine State Chamber of Commerce, The Maine Department of Labor, The Department of Economic and Community Development, and *Mainebiz*.

The program also helps companies that want to improve their score. The Best Companies Group's "Employee Feedback Report" is presented to each participating company, even if it did not make the list. The report summarizes employee engagement and satisfaction data, the "Maine Benchmark Report," and the transcript of employee written comments. The report is used by many organizations to make significant improvements in their workplace culture.

Further details about the "Best Places to Work in Maine" program and the awards banquet can be found online at www.bestplacestoworkinme.com. Contact Kelly Nelson at (207) 784-5441 or Jessica Palladino at (207) 784-1145 for more information. Media contact Angie Helton at nema@maine.rr.com or (207) 653-0365

Photo Captions-(High Res photos available upon request)

(Photo 1--Cianbro #1 Large Business) From left to right--Dana Connors, President of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce/ Michael W. Bennett, VP HR, Health, Safety & Environment/ Mark M. Hovey, Director of Human Resources and Deborah Whitworth, state director of the SHRM Maine State Council.

(Photo 2—Putney Inc., #1 SmMedBusiness) From left to right-- Dana Connors, President of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce/Anthony Lucas, VP of Research & Development/Sally Amurault, Senior Director of Human Resources and Deborah Whitworth, state director of the SHRM Maine State Council.

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Photos available of all companies on the list upon request.