The Hartford Named A Best Place To Work For LGBT Equality For Ninth Year Monday, December 05, 2016 05:29:00 PM (GMT)

Company earned perfect score on Human Rights Campaign Foundation's 2017 Corporate Equality Index

The Hartford has received a perfect score of 100 percent on the 2017 Corporate Equality Index (CEI), a national benchmarking survey and report on corporate policies and practices related to LGBT workplace equality, administered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. This marks the ninth year The Hartford has received this recognition.

"An inclusive work environment that values diversity improves the experience of our employees and is critical in helping The Hartford better serve our customers and business partners," said Marty Gervasi, The Hartford's chief human resources officer. "The Hartford is honored to be recognized as a top workplace for the LGBT community."

The Hartford has a long history of supporting diversity in the workplace, and proudly supporting the LGBT community. Gervasi serves as executive sponsor of The Hartford's GLOBE (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Organization Benefiting Everyone) employee resource group, which champions the growth and development of its members by providing the company with a center of expertise for LGBT awareness, networking and business practices. GLOBE led the way as The Hartford's first employee resource group and recently celebrated its 20th anniversary. GLOBE is one of The Hartford's eight employee resource groups that support diversity and inclusion in the workforce. For more information, visit http://thehartford.com/our-company/diversity.

The 2017 CEI rated 1,043 businesses in the report, which evaluates LGBT-related policies and practices including non-discrimination workplace protections, domestic partner benefits, transgender-inclusive health care benefits, competency programs, and public engagement with the LGBT community. The Hartford's efforts in satisfying all of the CEI's criteria results in a 100 percent ranking and the designation as a Best Place to Work for LGBT Equality. The Hartford is one of 517 major U.S. businesses to earn top marks this year.

For more information on the 2017 Corporate Equality Index, or to download a free copy of the report, visit www.hrc.org/cei.

About The Human Rights Campaign Foundation

The Human Rights Campaign Foundation is the educational arm of America's largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual transgender and queer people. HRC envisions a world where LGBTQ people are embraced as full members of society at home, at work and in every community.

About The Hartford

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