

Canada's 30 Best Benefit Plans Offer Flexibility to Meet Employee Needs, According to Hewitt

TORONTO, June 7 /CNW/ - When it comes to selecting the best benefits plans, the true judges are the employees who use them. For that reason, employee feedback was used by Hewitt Associates, a global human resources services company, to determine Benefits Canada magazine's list of "Canada's 30 Best Pension and Benefits Plans," announced today in the June issue (see attached list).

Employee opinion data regarding benefits from more than 220 Canadian organizations was used to determine the list of the 30 best plans. Each of these organizations participated in the 2007 Best Employers in Canada study, the 2007 Best Small & Medium Employers in Canada study, or a custom employee engagement study conducted by Hewitt.

"The 30 organizations that appear on the 2007 list of Canada's Best Pension and Benefit Plans are clearly listening to their employees and providing them with the programs they need and appreciate," said Don Bisch, editor of Benefits Canada. "As the Canadian workforce becomes more diverse, designing flexible programs that meet a variety of needs is not easy. These 30 companies have met that challenge."

The June issue of Benefits Canada also marks the magazine's 30th anniversary.

About Benefits Canada

Benefits Canada is the country's original and most influential pension and benefits publication for key decision-makers in thousands of Canadian workplaces. Senior finance executives, pension board trustees, benefits professionals, human resource managers and industry specialists have turned to the magazine for 30 years to help make informed decisions about their pension and benefits plans. Published monthly, Benefits Canada provides award winning editorial content, including in-depth features, exclusive industry reports, profiles of innovative plan sponsors, expert analysis, critical statistical data, and a wide range of national and international news and trends. For more information, visit www.benefitscanada.com.

About Hewitt Associates

With more than 65 years of experience, Hewitt Associates (NYSE: HEW) is the world's foremost provider of human resources outsourcing and consulting services. The company consults with more than 2,300 organizations and administers human resources, health care, payroll and retirement programs on behalf of more than 340 companies to millions of employees and retirees worldwide. Located in 35 countries, including Canadian offices in Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Calgary and Regina, Hewitt employs approximately 24,000 associates. For more information, please visit www.hewitt.com.

Canada's 30 Best Pension and Benefit Plans 2007

Rank	Organization	Headquarters
1	Business Development Bank of Canada	Montréal QC
2	Farm Credit Canada	Regina SK
3	Intuit Canada	Edmonton AB
4	DaimlerChrysler Financial Services Canada Inc.	Windsor ON

5	Wellington West Capital Inc.	Winnipeg MB
6	EllisDon Corporation	London ON
7	Midwest Surveys Inc.	Calgary AB
8	CONEXUS	Regina SK
9	AstraZeneca Canada	Mississauga ON
10	National Bank of Canada	Montréal QC
11	Envision Financial	Langley BC
12	Prospera Credit Union & Insurance Agencies	Abbotsford BC
13	Pfizer Global Pharmaceuticals Group - Canada	Kirkland QC
14	L'Union Canadienne	Québec QC
15	JTI-Macdonald Corp.	Mississauga ON
16	PCL Constructors Inc.	Edmonton AB
17	GlaxoSmithKline Inc.	Mississauga ON
18	BC Biomedical Laboratories Ltd.	Surrey BC
19	Nexen Inc.	Calgary AB
20	Ceridian Canada Ltd.	Markham ON
21	Procter & Gamble Inc.	Toronto ON
22	Golder Associates Ltd.	Burnaby BC
23	Deloitte & Touche LLP	Toronto ON
24	The Co-operators	Guelph ON
25	Co-operators Life Insurance Company	Regina SK
26	ATB Financial	Edmonton AB
27	Sleep Country Canada	Toronto ON
28	Hoffmann-La Roche Limited	Mississauga ON
29	CNC Global Ltd.	Toronto ON
30	Flight Centre North America	Vancouver BC

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