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Business News

JBS Receives Four Awards from the Alliance for Workplace Excellence

May 9, 2012 (North Bethesda, MD). JBS International, Inc. received four awards from the Alliance for Workplace Excellence. The Workplace Excellence and Health & Wellness Trailblazer Awards honor businesses that promote professional fulfillment and personal wellness at work, at home, and in the community. The EcoLeadership Award recognizes visionary employers who are paving the way for environmentally sustainable workplaces.

The Diversity and Inclusion Award recognizes leading practitioners in six areas. JBS was selected as a leading practitioner in the Products and Services category for our approach to global outreach and for the diversity initiatives we developed for our clients. JBS co-founder and co-CEO, Jerri Shaw will participate in a panel discussion on Diversity and Inclusion on June 11 at a session preceding the AWE awards luncheon.

JBS co-founder and co-CEO Gail Bassin notes, "We are proud that JBS received the Workplace Excellence and Health & Wellness Awards for the second year in a row. This year, we are also excited about receiving the EcoLeadership Award and being named a Diversity and Inclusion Leading Practitioner. The awards prove that we have a workplace that supports our employees and that we offer programs that contribute to the greater good."

Jerri Shaw adds, "Receiving all four of AWE's awards is quite an accomplishment and speaks to the exceptional work that our entire team does in creating a workplace where staff are engaged and valued. The fact that an employee survey is part of the assessment process means a lot because it confirms that our employees recognize JBS as an excellent place to work—and that's just as important as the awards."

2012 Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval—Winners show an outstanding commitment to overall workplace quality. They are evaluated on programs in communication, diversity, employee growth, life-work balance, and more. JBS also received this award in 2011.

2012 Health & Wellness Trailblazer Award—Employers receiving this award demonstrate an outstanding commitment to employee health and wellness—and have led the way by developing innovative programs. JBS also received this award in 2011.

2012 EcoLeadership Award—Award-winning employers demonstrate commitment to environmental sustainability in waste minimization, water conservation, pollution prevention, environmentally-conscious travel, and energy efficiency.

2012 Diversity & Inclusion Award for Products and Services—Presented to companies who represent leading practices in six diversity and inclusion categories.

The Alliance for Workplace Excellence (<u>www.excellentworkplace.org</u>) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded by Montgomery County, Maryland and Discovery Communications, Inc.

About JBS

Solutions for Tomorrow's World

JBS International, Inc., is a women-owned business that provides a broad and diverse set of management and information technology services to public- and private-sector clients. Since 1985, JBS has worked with clients to successfully design solutions that focus on opportunities and address challenges—always with an emphasis on understanding the specific health, social, and educational needs of people across the lifespan and from all walks of life. Our work includes health IT, research and evaluation, international public health, policy analysis, and communications services.

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