

Lincoln Financial Group Recognized On Human Rights Campaign's 2013 Corporate Equality Index

Lincoln Financial Group (NYSE:LNC) announced today that the company has been named to the Human Rights Campaign's (HRC) 2013 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) for the eleventh consecutive year. The report, released each fall since 2002, provides an in-depth analysis and rating of large United States employers and their policies and practices relevant to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) employees.

"Our organization is extremely proud to have been recognized this year by the Corporate Equality Index," said Allison Green, senior vice president and chief diversity officer for Lincoln Financial Group. "Diversity and inclusion are key components of our corporate culture, and we know this drives innovation and success on behalf of our clients. We remain committed to the LGBT community, and will continue to strive for excellence in workplace equality."

The HRC is America's largest civil rights organization working to achieve LGBT equality. The 2013 CEI report rates a total of 889 businesses, including the entire Fortune 500, on approximately 40 corporate policies and practices related to (LGBT) employees and their families. Most organizations are rated based upon their responses to a comprehensive survey.

About Lincoln Financial Group

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