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## Nomination deadline for NLEC's eight annual Employer of Distinction Awards this Friday Awards Ceremony to take place February 25<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Hotel, St. John's

*January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011, St. John's, NL* – Nominations for the Newfoundland & Labrador Employers' Council's eight annual **Employer of Distinction Awards,** in both the large and small employer category, are due this Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.

The awards will honour Newfoundland & Labrador employers who have excelled at leadership, innovation, creativity, and a fundamental belief in the value of a healthy, safe, and motivated workforce in 2011. Nominations are open to any interested organization and nomination forms are available at <u>www.nlec.nf.ca</u>.

Nominated organizations are judged on five key areas: Health and Safety, Compensation and Advancement, Presence in the Community, Stakeholder Awareness, and the overall implementation of Human Resource Best Practices. Nominees scoring over 80% on their submission are short-listed, and the winners are decided by an independent judging panel.

This year, the NLEC has changed the eligibility requirements for the award allowing past recipients of the award from 2005 and earlier to be eligible for nomination. Past winners must show significant improvement over their winning submission to demonstrate growth within the organization.

The annual luncheon and presentation of awards will take place on Friday, February  $25^{th}$ , from 12:00 - 2:00 P.M. at the Sheraton Hotel in St. Johns, NL.

Past winners of the Employer of Distinction Award include: Bennett Restaurants Ltd., Victorian Order of Nurses - St. John's Branch (VON), Newfoundland Power, Labatt Breweries Ltd., St. Francis Foundation, Memorial University of Newfoundland, North Atlantic Refining, Exploits Valley Dental, Fugro Jacques GeoSurveys, Colemans, Husky Energy, PF Collins, Newfoundland & Labrador Credit Union, C-CORE, and Browning Harvey.

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