

PPL Corporation earns highest score in 2017 Corporate Equality Index

Rating by Human Rights Campaign Foundation recognizes PPL's commitment to diversity and LGBT workplace equality

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Dec. 5, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- PPL 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 relating to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) workplace equality.

PPL earned the designation as a 2017 Best Place to Work for LGBT Equality for its top marks in the annual Human Rights Campaign Foundation's survey. The results reflect PPL's commitment to LGBT workplace equality, with respect to tangible policies, benefits and practices.

"We firmly believe that creating a culture of inclusion is the best way to foster mutual respect and innovation in our workplace," said Bill Spence, chairman, president and Chief Executive Officer. "We remain committed to continuing our long-standing support of the LGBT community through active participation in community organizations and equal benefits for employees."

For the 2017 report, CEI rated major U.S. businesses, evaluating their 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.

"Each year PPL continues to raise the bar, and I am proud to be a part of a progressive company committed to creating a respectful and inclusive workplace for all its employees," said Donna Cruciani, founder and president of FUSE, the company's business resource group dedicated to promoting workplace equality and supporting the LGBT community.

PPL's score is five points higher in 2017 versus 2016 due in large part to the company's commitment to supplier diversity and charitable contributions that benefit the LGBT community.

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

The Human Rights Campaign is America's largest civil rights organization working to achieve lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality. By inspiring and engaging all Americans, HRC strives to end discrimination against LGBT citizens and realize a nation that achieves fundamental fairness and equality for all.

Headquartered in Allentown, Pa., PPL Corporation (NYSE: PPL) is one of the largest companies in the U.S. utility sector. PPL's seven high-performing, award-winning utilities serve 10 million customers in the U.S. and United Kingdom. The company and its 13,000 employees are dedicated to providing exceptional customer service and reliability and delivering superior value for shareowners. To learn more, visit www.pplweb.com.

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