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**Neace Lukens Named One of the Best Places to Work in Kentucky**

*Growing Private Insurance Broker Awarded for Exceptional Workplace Policies, Employee Experience and Satisfaction*

**Louisville, Ky. [January 29, 2010]** —Neace Lukens, the 28<sup>th</sup> largest insurance broker in the U.S.\*, was recently named as one of the “Best Places to Work in Kentucky in 2010” by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Kentucky Society for Human Resource Management (KSHRM) and Best Companies Group.

The “Best Places to Work in Kentucky” program is a statewide survey and awards program created in 2005 that identifies, recognizes and honors the best places of employment in Kentucky. The list of winners in the “Best Places to Work in Kentucky 2010” program includes 64 companies, all of which significantly benefit the state’s economy, workforce and businesses.

To be eligible for participation, companies had to fulfill specific requirements: have at least 25 employees working in Kentucky, be a for-profit or not-for-profit or government entity, be a publicly or privately held business, have a facility in the state of Kentucky and must have been in business for one year.

Companies from across the state entered the two-part process to determine the winners of this year’s “Best Places to Work in Kentucky” program. The first part consisted of an evaluation of each nominated company’s workplace policies, practices, and demographics. This part of the process was worth approximately 25 percent of the total evaluation. The second part consisted of an employee survey to measure the employee experience. This part of the process was worth approximately 75 percent of the total evaluation. The combined scores determined the top companies and the final rankings. Best Companies Group managed the overall registration and survey process in Kentucky and also analyzed the data and used their expertise to determine the final rankings.

“Neace Lukens has experienced significant growth since the company began in Louisville 15 years ago, yielding us over 500 employees in 12 different markets in 2010,” said John Neace, chairman at Neace Lukens, “Yet through all the growth and expansion, Neace Lukens has maintained and fostered a team of passionate and

creative employees, who take great pride in providing our customers quality insurance services and advice everyday."

Neace Lukens will be recognized and honored at the "Best Places to Work in Kentucky" awards ceremony at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at the Lexington Convention Center. The final rankings will be announced at the event.

For more information on the Best Places to Work in Kentucky program, visit <http://BestPlacesToWorkKY.com> or contact Jackie Miller at 877-455-2159.

**ABOUT NEACE LUKENS:**

Neace Lukens, founded in 1991, has over 150 licensed agents and over 500 employees operating in 9 offices throughout Kentucky (Louisville, Lexington & Bowling Green), Ohio (Cincinnati, Cleveland & Columbus), Indiana (Indianapolis), Michigan (Southfield) and Tennessee (Nashville), with satellite offices in Arizona, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Neace Lukens corporate headquarters is located in Louisville, Kentucky, at 2305 River Road. For more information, please visit: [www.neacelukens.com](http://www.neacelukens.com).

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\*As ranked by *Business Insurance* magazine, published by Chicago-based Crain Communications, Inc. provides information for business executives who are responsible for the purchase and administration of corporate insurance and self-insurance programs.