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Manpower Wins in the Workforce Category for Innovative Project Ability Program

Milwaukee (Feb. 15, 2011) – Manpower has been named a 2011 Disability Matters honoree for its Project Ability that helps people with disabilities obtain sustainable and meaningful employment. The awards are given to progressive corporations that support people or family members who have a disability in the workplace through diversity, work-life and/or human resource initiatives. The Disability Matters Awards are sponsored by Springboard Consulting, which leads efforts in the U.S. marketing to people with disabilities and their families and supporting them in the workplace.

Manpower was recognized in the Workforce category for its Project Ability program, which is a collaborative approach to place people with disabilities into high demand jobs with employers. The program, initially launched in San Jose, Calif., has expanded into Boston and will begin operating in Chicago, Houston and five other markets later in 2011.

“For many years, Manpower has made it a priority to advocate for access to meaningful workforce opportunities on behalf of people with disabilities,” said Jorge Perez, Manpower’s senior vice president of staffing for North America. “Our Project Ability program has taken our efforts to the next level, and we are honored to be recognized as a leader in the advancement of people with disabilities.”

The award will be presented at the Fifth Annual Disability Matters Awards Banquet and Conference, April 6-7, 2011, in San Jose, Calif. Previous winners include Cisco Systems, McDonald’s Corporation and Northrop Grumman.

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