Hormel Foods Recognized as Top Employer for Veterans, Best Place to Work for Recent Grads

AUSTIN, Minn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May. 21, 2013-- Hormel Foods Corporation (NYSE: HRL) today announced it has been recognized with two top employer accolades, including Military Times EDGE magazine's Best for Vets Employers list, and Experience's Best Places to Work for Recent Grads list.

This is the first time that Hormel Foods has been recognized by Military Times EDGE on their Best for Vets Employers list, joining 52 other companies selected as those doing the most for service members and their families. This accolade follows the company's debut on G.I. Jobs magazine's Top 100 Military Friendly Employers list, which was announced earlier this year.

To determine the Best for Vets Employers list, Military Times EDGE surveyed more than 1,000 major companies and government contractors about their recruiting and hiring policies, social recognition for veterans as well as pay and benefits for reservists. The annual list is considered one of the leading resources for military/veteran recruitment. For more information on the list, please visithttp://projects.militarytimes.com/best-for-veterans/best-employers-for-veterans/2013/.

Further, the company has also been recognized among the Best Places to Work for Recent Grads by Experience, a ConnectEDU company and the world's largest education network. Twenty-five employers from across the country were recognized on the 2013 Best Places to Work for Recent Grads list, demonstrating excellence in recruiting, hiring and retaining young professionals. In particular, Hormel Foodswas recognized for its outstanding company culture, competitive compensation and benefits package, as well as the opportunity for career growth and diversity.

Experience and ConnectEDU invited employers from across the country to participate in the 2013 Best Places to Work for Recent Grads survey to identify and recognize the best employers for recent college graduates. For more information on Experience's Best Places to Work for Recent Grads, please visit http://www.connectedu.com/best-places-to-work-2013-winners.

"It is an honor to be recognized by both of these fine publications," said David P. Juhlke, vice president of human resources at Hormel Foods. "For both veterans and recent college graduates, we strive to make Hormel Foods a company where people want to work and build long-term careers. These recognitions are greatly appreciated by our entire organization."

About Hormel Foods

Hormel Foods Corporation, based in Austin, Minn., is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of consumer-branded food and meat products, many of which are among the best known and trusted in the food industry. The company leverages its extensive expertise, innovation and high competencies in pork and turkey processing and marketing to bring branded, value-added products to the global marketplace. The company is a member of the Standard & Poor's (S&P) 500 Index, S&P Dividend Aristocrats for 2012, Maplecroft Climate Innovation Indexes, Global 1000 Sustainable Performance Leaders and was again named one of "The 100 Best Corporate Citizens" byCorporate Responsibility Magazine for the fifth year in a row. Hormel Foods debuted on the G.I. Jobs magazine list of

America’s Top 100 Military Friendly Employers in 2012. The company enjoys a strong reputation among consumers, retail grocers, foodservice and industrial customers for products highly regarded for quality, taste, nutrition, convenience and value. For more information, visithttp://www.hormelfoods.com.

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