



IR Global Rankings 2009: Best Ranked Companies in North America

NEW YORK, March 6, 2009 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- MZ Consult NY (<http://www.mz-ir.com>), a leading investor relations and financial communications firm, jointly with IR Global Rankings sponsors, The Bank of New York Mellon, KPMG Independent Auditors, Arnold & Porter, Demarest & Almeida, Bloomberg, NYSE Euronext and Corporate Asia Network, announced today at the New York workshop and award ceremony the best ranked companies in North America for the 2009 IR Global Rankings.

Best Ranked IR Websites in North America: General Electric, Microsoft, Talisman Energy, Bank of Montreal, Cameco, Yum! Brands, Thomson Reuters and Intel Corporation.

Best Ranked Online Annual Reports in North America: Potash Corp and Intel.

Best Ranked Financial Disclosure Procedures in North America: FedEx Corporation, Southwestern Energy Company, Nexen, Bank of Montreal, Talisman Energy, Ryder, Colgate-Palmolive and General Electric.

Best Ranked Corporate Governance Practices in North America: Nexen, Royal Bank of Canada, Microsoft, Potash Corp, Unum Group, Cisco, FedEx Corporation, Intel and Lifetime Fitness.

Best IR Program in North America by Popular Choice: E*Trade Financial.

We congratulate all investor relations teams of the best ranked companies for their achievements and efforts. The Top 30 global results will be available shortly on our website <http://www.irglobalrankings.com>.

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