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The Continental Group Named “Top Workplace 2011” by the *St. Petersburg Times*

-Employee feedback deciding factor in top satisfaction award-

(May XX, 2011) HOLLYWOOD, FL – The Continental Group’s (TCG) North Florida office, part of Florida’s largest property management company, was recently named one of the best places to work in the Tampa Bay region by *St. Petersburg Times* and online at www.tampabay.com. The prestigious annual award honors top workplaces based on the results of employee surveys.

“The Continental Group is honored to be included as one of the top places to work, especially because our employees served as the judging panel,” said Mark Stoops, TCG Regional President, North Florida. “We strive to make our work culture a creative, supportive, energetic and happy environment.”

Employees at TCG receive an extensive competitive employee benefits package, bonuses, recognition awards, and get to participate in corporate events hosted for them such as the company’s Fourth of July picnic. TCG, through its philanthropic arm, Continental Cares, is also committed to supporting charity initiatives selected by its staff members including Susan G. Koman, Metropolitan Ministries, Isaiah’s House and Habitat for Humanity.

The following anonymous quotes were sourced from the survey:

“The leadership at Continental is outstanding. They are supportive and behind you every step of the way. I have never worked for a more career centered company. From the time that you start on your path until you reach your objective, the leadership team is here to guide you and encourage you on your path to success.”

“I have the flexibility I need to balance my work and personal life.”

“I feel genuinely appreciated at this organization”.

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One hundred thirty-one companies participated in the program for the *St. Petersburg Times*, which was organized by Workplace Dynamics. There are a total of 100 companies on the list, separated into three categories: 20 winners in the large category (more than 500 employees), 30 winners in the midsize group (125-499 employees), and 50 in the small set (124 or fewer employees). With approximately 230 employees, TCG's St. Petersburg office is included amongst the winners in the midsize category.

About The Continental Group, Inc.

Founded in 1990, The Continental Group's corporate headquarters is located in Hollywood FL. It also has regional offices in Boca Raton, Miami, West Palm Beach, Wellington, Vero Beach, Orlando, St. Petersburg, Jacksonville and Destin. The company is the largest manager of condominium and homeowner associations in the state, and one of South Florida's leading private sector employers. Today, The Continental Group manages and maintains 1,500 Associations and more than 310,000 residential units.

As the leading community association management company in Florida, Continental pioneered many of the practices widely utilized throughout the industry today. The Continental Group is a subsidiary of **FirstService Residential Management**, which manages over 4,600 communities, representing more than 1.2 million homes/units in 18 states. FirstService Residential Management is a subsidiary of FirstService Corporation. To learn more about The Continental Group, call (954) 925-8200, toll-free: (800) 215-2316 or visit www.thecontinentalgroupinc.com.

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