Nugget Markets ranks #37 on FORTUNE Magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For" List

For the eighth consecutive year, Nugget Markets, is named on FORTUNE's national listing.

Woodland, CA (January 17, 2013) – For the 8th consecutive year, local family-owned and operated Nugget Markets has been named on FORTUNE Magazine's national listing of the "100 Best Companies to Work For." Nugget ranks #37 among the country's top 100 companies.

"What makes it (Nugget Markets) so great? Fun, camaraderie, and long tenure are hallmarks of this grocery chain, where one employee told us, The company doesn't see this as a workplace; they see it as a family. This is our home, where customers are treated as guests, "states <u>FORTUNE Magazine</u> in this year's ranking.

Known for its devotion to its associates and communities, <u>Nugget Markets</u> consistently nurtures a family-oriented culture and an enthusiastic work environment that encourages a healthy work-life balance. This in turn creates a positive and spirited shopping experience for its guests.

"Without a doubt, our incredibly talented, passionate team of associates shape our ever evolving culture and work environment. Creating an environment of trust and mutual respect is key to the development of our culture, and I thank every leader and associate within the company for their dedication and commitment to making Nugget Markets and Food 4 Less (Cameron Park, Woodland and Vallejo) the company that we are today," says Eric Stille, president and CEO of Nugget Market, Inc.

<u>Nugget Market, Inc.</u> has been family owned and operated since 1926, and has nine Northern California locations in Woodland, Davis, Sacramento, West Sacramento, Roseville, Elk Grove, El Dorado Hills, and Vacaville. The company's three Food 4 Less stores are located in Vallejo, Cameron Park, and Woodland @nugget market, Facebook: nuggetmarkets

To pick the 100 Best Companies to Work For, Fortune partners with the Great Place to Work Institute to conduct the most extensive employee survey in corporate America. More than 277,000 employees at those companies responded to a survey created by the institute, a global research and consulting firm operating in 45 countries around the world. Two-thirds of a company's score is based on the results of the institute's Trust Index survey, which is sent to a random sample of employees from each company. The survey asks questions related to their attitudes about management's credibility, job satisfaction, and camaraderie. The other third is based on responses to the institute's Culture Audit, which includes detailed questions about pay and benefit programs and a series of open-ended questions about hiring practices, methods of internal communication, training, recognition programs, and diversity efforts. After evaluations are completed, if news about a company comes to light that may significantly damage employees' faith in management, we may exclude it from the list. Any company that is at least five years old and has more than 1,000 U.S. employees is eligible. For more information on how to apply, visit: http://bit.ly/n8bVJ3

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