

Overwaitea Food Group wins national awards for people initiatives

(March 1, 2016 – Langley, B.C.) The Overwaitea Food Group (OFG) has two accolades to add to its growing list, having recently been named one of Canada’s Best Employers for 2016 and one of Canada’s Best Diversity Employers.

In a report co-published by the Globe and Mail and Mediacorp, OFG was recognized as one of Canada’s Best Diversity Employers for its exceptional workplace diversity and inclusiveness programs.

Mediacorp’s editorial team judges employers on programs aimed at improving diversity and inclusiveness diversity in several measures, including gender, sexual orientation, and ethnicity, through recruitment, retention, development, training and education programs, to name a few.

Forbes Magazine named OFG one of only two grocery retailers to make the list of Canada’s 250 Best Employers for 2016.

Each year, Forbes works with online statistics provider Statista to ask 8,000 workers from across the nation how likely they are to recommend their employer to others, and how they feel about the other employers in their industry.

“We are so lucky to have 16,000 of the world’s best grocers on our team, and it’s because of each and every member on our team that we have such a caring culture and fulfilling workplace,” said Overwaitea Food Group president Darrell Jones. “The credit is due to our team members for making OFG such a great place to work.”

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The Overwaitea Food Group (OFG) is the largest Western-based Canadian food store chain, serving more than 80 communities in B.C. and Alberta. The company has been in operation for 100 years, with its first store originally located in New Westminster, B.C. OFG currently operates than 147 stores under the Save-On-Foods, Overwaitea Foods, Cooper’s Foods, Urban Fare, PriceSmart Foods, PriceSmart Foods International, and Bulkley Valley Wholesale banners. With the support of more than 15,000 team members, OFG proudly provides customers with great local value in unique and innovative ways; delivering world-class products, services, and an exceptional in-store experience, customized to suit the needs of each community they serve.

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