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**IDG'S *COMPUTERWORLD* RANKS NRECA ONE OF THE TOP "100 BEST PLACES TO WORK IN IT"**

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**ARLINGTON, VA, July 8, 2008** – The 2008 ranking by IDG's *Computerworld* marks the fifth year in a row NRECA's IT department has been recognized in *Computerworld's Best Places to Work in IT*. NRECA ranked 83<sup>rd</sup>.

The magazine cited flexibility, including a formalized telecommuting policy, as a significant benefit for IT workers, many of whom telecommute more than one day a week. NRECA provides the necessary equipment for telecommuting: wireless routers, remote access, VPN access, BlackBerries and cell phones for on-call workers

NRECA ranked first in "Retention" based on competitive benefits, salaries, tuition reimbursement, work/life balance and flexible work hours and second in "Training" based on training spending per IT employee and number of annual training days.

Among companies with fewer than 2,500 employees, NRECA ranked third in the number of training days provided to IT employees.

"We're extremely pleased to find NRECA's IT department on *Computerworld's* 2008 100 Best Places to Work in IT list," said Glenn English, CEO of NRECA. "We are committed to ensuring NRECA remains a great place to work and this ranking shows our efforts have paid off."

"Being among the Best Places to Work in IT means crafting a blend of employee advantages that includes the potential for flexible hours, competitive pay, excellent benefits, a supportive leadership environment, opportunities for ongoing training and advancement, and ultimately, the feeling that you'd like to stay with the company a long, long time," said Scot Finnie, editor in chief of *Computerworld*.

The Best Places to Work in Information Technology (IT) list is an annual ranking of the top 100 work environments for technology professionals compiled by IDG's *Computerworld*, the "Voice of IT Management." The lists are compiled based on a comprehensive questionnaire regarding company offerings in categories such as benefits, diversity, career development, training and retention. In

addition, Computerworld conducts extensive surveys of IT workers, and their responses factor heavily in determining the rankings.

*Computerworld* has conducted and published the list since 1994. The nomination process began in August of 2007.