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AXIA Resources Recognized as One of Houston's Best Places to Work

HOUSTON - OCTOBER 17, 2006/BUSINESS WIRE -- AXIA Resources announced today that it has been named by the Houston Business Journal as one of Houston's best places to work. AXIA has been ranked #4 among Houston-based companies with 10 -100 employees. The company received the honor at the annual Best Places to Work Award Ceremony, held on October 12 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Houston.

AXIA Resources has been in business less than two years, making it one of the youngest companies to be nominated for the prestigious award. Co-Founders Nick Bednorz and Deanna Young said they are thrilled but not surprised that AXIA would be recognized as a great place to work.

"We truly have some of the best people in our industry at AXIA and their enthusiasm, professionalism, and teamwork make it an exceptional work environment," Young said.

"Part of our firm's mission from the very beginning has been to create a corporate culture that sets us apart from other service firms," said Bednorz. "We have worked hard to create an organization where our clients can count on us for accountability and consistency, and the best way to achieve that is to create a positive atmosphere where people are motivated to do the right thing."

Young said one reason the company has been able to create such a positive atmosphere is by making smart hiring decisions.

"At AXIA, we believe that behavior and character are as important as skills and expertise, and so we are very blessed to have people who embrace those values," she said.

The company's employees echo such views. "'Mission Excellence' is not just something we say, it is something we are constantly thinking about, and it applies to everything we do," stated an AXIA team member. "It describes the level of services we provide, our commitment to our clients, how we interact with our co-workers, and what we want to give back to our community."

In addition to its values-centered culture, AXIA offers its employees numerous other benefits including industry briefings, continuing education programs, health management programs, full insurance benefits, leading edge technology, company outings, special recognition awards and bonus compensation programs.

AXIA Resources was created and operates as an independent alternative to public accounting firms. The company offers financial advisory and consulting services as well as flexible staffing solutions in accounting, finance, energy accounting, energy risk management, internal audit and regulatory compliance, including Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX).

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