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Coborn's, Inc. honored with placement on top workplace and employee engagement lists

ST. CLOUD, MINN – Coborn's, Inc. was recently named to two lists that highlight the company's remarkable workplace culture and engaged employee workforce.

Achievers, a leading provider of employee recognition software, recently named Coborn's, Inc. to its 2017 list of "50 Most Engaged Workplaces." To earn this spot, Coborn's, Inc. entered the competition and completed a series of ten required short essays on the topics of: leadership, communication, culture, recognition and rewards, personal and professional growth, accountability and performance, vision and values, and corporate social responsibility. A third-party panel of judges considered the submitted essays and did not know the names of the companies who submitted them.

The overall question the judges set out to answer is how engaged the employees are at the companies that enter the competition. Achievers defines an engaged employee as a person who is fully involved in and enthusiastic about their work, inspired and often inspires others, and passionate and committed every day.

In addition to this honor, Coborn's, Inc. was also named to the Star Tribune's 2017 list of "Top Workplaces" in Minnesota. This designation was determined by the results of employee surveys taken in the early part of 2017.

Coborn's, Inc. employees strive each day to live out the words of the company's vision to "Be Remarkable!" through great guest service, as well as giving back and being good neighbors in the communities where the company does business. Coborn's, Inc. stores regularly take part in community functions and fundraisers, volunteering opportunities and efforts to support area non-profits, such as United Way. In 2016, employees raised \$329,000 to support United Way chapters in the towns where the company does business.

Coborn's, Inc. would like to again congratulate all employees across its retail and non-retail divisions on earning these two special honors.

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About Coborn's, Inc.

St. Cloud, Minn.-based [Coborn's, Inc.](#) is a 96-year-old employee-owned grocery retailer with approximately 7,500+ employees and 53 stores across Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Illinois and Wisconsin under the [Coborn's](#), [Cash Wise Foods](#), [Marketplace Foods](#) and [Save-A-Lot](#) banners. Coborn's, Inc. also owns [CobornsDelivers](#), an online grocery ordering and home delivery service; and stand-alone convenience, liquor and pharmacy locations. To support its 120 retail locations, Coborn's, Inc. operates its own central bakery, gluten-free bakery, dry cleaning facility and grocery distribution center.

Recent Awards and Honors

In 2010, Coborn's, Inc. was recognized as 'Family Business of the Year for Community Service and Philanthropy' by *Minnesota Business* magazine. In 2011, Coborn's, Inc. was recognized as 'Independent Retailer of the Year' by *Grocery Headquarters* magazine. In 2014, the company's President, CEO, and Chairman Chris Coborn, was named Grocer of the Year by the N.D. Grocers Association. In 2016, the National Grocers Association (NGA) honored Coborn with the Thomas F. Wenning Pinnacle PAC Award for his help with advancing the role and presence of the independent grocer and NGA in government and political affairs.