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**BURKE, INC. NAMED FINALIST IN 2006 ‘BEST PLACES TO WORK’**

**Cincinnati, OH (October 19, 2006):** Burke, Inc. has been named a finalist in the 2006 Cincinnati Business Courier ‘Best Places to Work’ competition. More than 100 companies were nominated to participate in this year's competition. The competition requirements included having employees complete a web-based, confidential survey of "employee engagement" that measures items across 10 different themes including team effectiveness, people practices and trust.

Begun in 2003, the ‘Best Places to Work’ program is the 15-county Greater Cincinnati region's premier recognition program for employers who acknowledge and measure their workforce's engagement. The competition includes four categories of businesses based on size: small, medium, large and grand employers. There will be one winner in each category; these will be announced at an awards luncheon on Thursday, November 9 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center.

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