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ENRON NAMED #22 OF "100 BEST COMPANIES TO WORK FOR IN AMERICA"

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HOUSTON -- Enron was named today one of the "100 Best Companies to Work For in America" by Fortune magazine. Climbing to number 22 from number 24 last year, Enron is the highest ranking global energy company on the list.

"Our corporate culture and our world-class employees make Enron a great place to work," said Kenneth L. Lay, Enron chairman and CEO. "We are proud to receive recognition as a top workplace; it's a reflection of our commitment to our employees and to their key role in our company's success."

The Fortune survey is based primarily on feedback from employees, who were randomly selected to fill out a 57-question survey developed by The Great Place to Work Institute in San Francisco. The remaining part of Fortune's scoring was based on a culture audit and a detailed human resources questionnaire.

Enron adds the "100 Best Companies to Work For in America" distinction to its "Most Innovative Company in America" accolade, which it has received from Fortune magazine for the past five years. The magazine also has named Enron the top company for "Quality of Management and the second best company for "Employee Talent."

Enron is one of the world's leading electricity, natural gas and communications companies. The company, with revenues of \$40 billion in 1999 and \$60 billion for the first nine months of 2000, produces electricity and natural gas, develops, constructs and operates energy facilities worldwide, delivers physical commodities and financial and risk management services to customers around the world, and is developing an intelligent network platform to facilitate online business. Enron's Internet address is www.enron.com. The stock is traded under the ticker symbol "ENE."

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