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Integra Telecom Named One of Oregon's Most Admired Companies

Integra Ranked Seventh Most Admired Technology Company in the State

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 22, 2011 – [Integra Telecom Inc.](http://www.integratelecom.com), a provider of fiber-based, business-grade networking, communications and cloud solutions, was again recognized by the Oregon business community as one of the [Most Admired Technology Companies](#) in the state.

The Portland Business Journal named Oregon's Most Admired Companies at the publication's annual luncheon in December. Integra ranked seventh out of the more than 100 technology businesses considered for the award. Integra Telecom was the only telecom company recognized and has been named to the Portland Business Journal's list six times since the award's inception in 2005. Intel Corp., Microsoft Corp. and Jive Software Inc. joined Integra in the ranks of Most Admired Technology Companies in Oregon.

"It's a real honor to again be named one of the Most Admired Companies in Oregon. It's truly a reflection of the whole company and not just one person or group," said Kevin O'Hara, chief executive officer of Integra Telecom. "This award is a testament to the hard work all of our employees have done to ensure that Integra not only provides the best product offerings, but the best customer service and sales support as well."

More than 1,800 Oregon CEOs voted for the 2011 Most Admired Companies in Oregon. Voters ranked each company based on attributes such as innovation, customer service and community involvement. Award recipients were selected from eight industry categories including: technology, professional services, commercial real estate, health care, nonprofits, agriculture and forest

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products, financial services, and traditional manufacturing. Oregon's Most Admired Companies is an annual Portland Business Journal event. Hosted by publisher Craig Wessel, the event is one of the publication's business programs aimed at recognizing Oregon's leading businesses.

To learn more, contact Integra at 1-866-INTEGRA or visit <http://www.integratelecom.com>.

About Integra Telecom

Integra Telecom Inc. connects business by providing enterprise-grade networking, communications and cloud solutions to business and carrier customers in 11 Western states, including: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah and Washington. The company owns and operates a nationally acclaimed, best-in-class fiber-optic network consisting of a 5,000-mile high-speed long-haul fiber network and a 3,000-mile metropolitan access network including approximately 1,700 fiber-fed buildings. The company has earned some of the highest customer loyalty and customer satisfaction ratings in the telecommunications industry. Integra Telecom is a registered trademark of Integra Telecom Inc. For more information, visit www.integratelecom.com.

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