



Royal Bank of Canada, TD Bank Group and Sun Life Financial earn a perfect score on the LGBT Corporate Canadian Index - 2017 Annual Survey Results

TORONTO, April 19, 2018 /CNW/ - The LGBT Corporate Canadian Index (the "LGBT CCI") is a benchmark for understanding and measuring LGBT Diversity and Inclusion ("LGBT D&I") within corporate Canada. LGBT CCI identifies corporations listed on the S&P/TSX Composite Index that are promoting diversity by embracing LGBT D&I. Inclusion in the LGBT CCI requires the completion and submission of the LGBT CCI Annual Survey and is subject to a minimum pass-grade questionnaire-based scoring system.

"We are delighted to welcome new LGBT CCI constituents from diverse industries and sectors since the launch of the index in 2016. Corporations included in LGBT CCI are leading the fight for equality and are strong supporters of LGBT communities. They should be recognized and commended", said Alexis Klein, Founder, LGBT CCI.

LGBT CCI provides transparency around best practices as it pertains to corporate policies and corporate advocacy. It serves leading and supporting corporations to actively promote LGBT inclusion as part of their key initiatives and be an integral part of the way forward.

"We are honoured to be recognized with a perfect score for our strong commitment to Diversity and Inclusion and support of the LGBT community," said Sarah Kheir, Director Diversity & Inclusion for Sun Life Financial. "We are proud of our inclusive culture that encourages diverse perspectives, experiences, and beliefs, and fosters an environment where employees are inspired to contribute their best every day for our Clients and our communities."

"We are delighted to witness the introduction into the LGBT CCI of additional high calibre corporations seeking to document and communicate their commitment to promoting genuinely inclusive workplaces. Increasing awareness of the business case and its related value-driven investment case for LGBT Diversity & Inclusion is crucial to securing effective inclusion and equality for the LGBT Community, as well as to optimising the financial and management performance of corporations", said Anders Jacobsen, co-founder of LGBT Capital.

About LGBT CCI

We can all embrace the merits of LGBT CCI because it provides transparency around best practices as it pertains to corporate policies and corporate advocacy.

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