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## **PJM NAMED TOP ADOPTION-FRIENDLY COMPANY IN INDUSTRY FOR 10TH YEAR**

(Valley Forge, Pa. – Sept. 14, 2016) – PJM Interconnection is the number one adoption-friendly company in the energy and utility industry category in America, according to the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption. This is the tenth consecutive year the foundation named PJM as a top company for adoption benefits.

The foundation developed the Best Adoption-Friendly Workplaces in America lists, categorized by industry, from a survey of more than 500 companies. They were ranked based on their adoption benefits, such as financial reimbursement for the costs of adoption and paid adoption leave for employees. PJM ranks 17th overall among other companies that were surveyed by the foundation.

“This honor over 10 consecutive years shows PJM’s consistent commitment to helping employees enhance their families through adoption,” said Nora Swimm, PJM senior vice president – Corporate Client Services. “We are honored to be recognized.”

The announcement of the 2016 100 Best Adoption-Friendly Workplaces list comes the month preceding National Adoption Month, a collective campaign to raise awareness of the children in foster care waiting to get adopted. Dave Thomas, founder of Wendy’s and of the foundation, was himself adopted and was a champion of adoption.

For more information on adoption and the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption and to see a complete listing of the honored companies, go to [www.AdoptionFriendlyWorkplace.org](http://www.AdoptionFriendlyWorkplace.org).

*PJM Interconnection, founded in 1927, ensures the reliability of the high-voltage electric power system serving 61 million people in all or parts of Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. PJM coordinates and directs the operation of the region’s transmission grid, which includes 72,075 miles of transmission lines; administers a competitive wholesale electricity market; and plans regional transmission expansion improvements to maintain grid reliability and relieve congestion. Visit PJM at [www.pjm.com](http://www.pjm.com).*

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