



Garrand Named One of *Ad Age's* 2010 Best Places to Work in Media and Marketing

Garrand Honored Among Top 30 Nationwide and Only Agency in New England

PORTLAND, ME (September 20, 2010) – Garrand, a full-service communications firm based in Portland, ME was named one of *Advertising Age's* 2010 Best Places to Work in Media and Marketing. In its inaugural year, the award program honored 30 top national agencies, which have established an exceptional workplace environment for their employees. Garrand was also named the 2009 Best Place to Work in Maine in the small/medium business category.

Garrand was honored due to their outstanding work/life balance that includes flexible work schedules, company-sponsored events and a competitive benefits package. As part of the process, employees completed a survey that accounted for more than half of the evaluation and was representative of their experience at Garrand. The other part of the process was a comprehensive review of current Garrand policies and benefits.

“To be recognized as one of the top agencies nationwide is an extraordinary honor. Unlike other industries, our staff and their creative talent is the only thing we sell so providing an environment that fosters this creativity has been key to our success,” said Brenda Garrand, Founder and CEO/Strategic Director of Garrand. “I am grateful to have staff that feel so strongly about their workplace that they have advanced us as one of the Best Places to Work in Media and Marketing, This is an honor not only for the agency but for our clients that allow us to do great work.”

About Garrand

Headquartered in Portland, Maine, Garrand is a marketing and communications firm offering traditional and new media advertising and public relations services to both regional and national clients looking to elevate their brand recognition. Garrand's integrated services have contributed to the growth of OSRAM SYLVANIA as well as brands such as HP Hood, BAILEYS® Coffee Creamers, Dunkin' Donuts – Maine, Maine Medical Center, FairPoint Communications and Gorham Savings Bank. To learn more, visit www.garrand.com