February 5 Proclaimed "F5 Day" in Seattle

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Seattle-based F5 Networks recognized for continued growth, innovation, and commitment to the community

SEATTLE--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- F5 Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ:FFIV), the global leader in Application Delivery Networking, today welcomed Mayor Mike McGinn to its Seattle headquarters, where he proclaimed that February 5, 2013, is "F5 Day" in Seattle. This distinction follows the recent In Good Company recognition from the city, commending F5 for its technology innovation, continued growth as an employer in the region, and commitment to the community.

"I congratulate F5 on its success as a technology company and its role as one of the leading hightech employers in the region," said McGinn. "F5 has a great, positive impact in our city's community and beyond."

Founded in Seattle in 1996, F5 employs more than 3,125 people worldwide, with nearly 1,200 based in Washington. F5 continues to be recognized as one of the region's premier employers. In fiscal year 2012, F5 recorded revenue of \$1.38 billion.

"We are proud of our Seattle heritage and the positive impact F5 has had on the region," said John McAdam, President and CEO of F5. "As we celebrate F5 Day today, my thanks go out to our employees and partners around the globe for their hard work and dedication. It's an exciting time at F5, and we look forward to continued success both locally and worldwide."

Local Involvement: F5 Connects

Through the company's employee-directed charitable giving program, F5 Connects, F5 employees support organizations within their local communities. In Seattle, F5 has partnered with many organizations, including the Detlef Schrempf Foundation, For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) Robotics, and Swedish Medical Center.

"Partnering with F5 has allowed us to provide much needed support to children's charities in the Seattle area," said Detlef Schrempf, Founder and President of the Detlef Schrempf Foundation, and former NBA All-Star with the Seattle SuperSonics. "F5 is a great example of an organization making a positive impact in our community. We congratulate them on F5 Day in Seattle."

"F5's participation in Washington's FIRST program is inspiring the next generation of science and technology innovators," said Michael Campbell, Regional Director of Washington FIRST. "As longtime supporters of FIRST, F5's mentor teams have touched the lives of many future engineers and technologists, encouraging them to explore the worlds of science and technology."

"F5 has been remarkably generous and proactive with our programs for kids and infants, helping us inaugurate and fund our annual holiday event for children and their families who have received care at our facilities," said Dan Dixon, VP of External Affairs at Swedish Health Services. "F5 is the best kind of business; they illustrate how to do well by doing good. We are a better community with their presence."

Additional Recognition

F5 and its executives have also been honored with recent leadership and corporate awards, including:

- John McAdam received Seattle Business magazine's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012, a silver in the Best in Biz Awards for 2012 Executive of the Year and a 100 percent employee approval rating for 2012 on Glassdoor.com.
- Jeff Christianson, EVP and General Counsel at F5, won the Puget Sound Business Journal's 2012 award for Corporate Counsel of the Year at a Large Company and Seattle Business magazine's 2013 Executive Excellence Award for General Counsels.
- John Matthews, VP of Information Technology and CIO at F5, was named Puget Sound Business Journal's Best CIO of a Public Company in 2012.
- F5 has been ranked the #1 place to work in KING-TV/Evening Magazine's Best of Western Washington Awards in 2010, 2011, and 2012.

F5 is actively hiring. Please visit F5's careers page for information on employment opportunities.

Additional Resources

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About F5 Networks

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