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Techlink Northwest Ranks Fifth on Puget Sound Business Journal's List of 100 Fastest Growing Private Companies

Techlink Northwest is the only technical staffing firm on the Fastest Growing list.

BELLEVUE, WA—October 28, 2005—Techlink Northwest™, one of the top providers of technical engineering talent to companies in the Pacific Northwest, today announced that it ranks number five on the Puget Sound Business Journal's list of 100 Fastest Growing Private Companies. This distinction follows on the heels of an announcement in May of this year, when Techlink Northwest was ranked 69 on *Entrepreneur* magazine's Hot 100 listing of the fastest-growing new companies in the United States.

Founded in November 2001, Techlink Northwest is capitalizing on the growing use of contingent staffing in the technology sector. According to the American Staffing Association, technology companies are tapping into the flexible labor market to keep fully staffed during busy times, and technical staffing is one of the fastest growing sectors of the \$63-billion-dollar-per-year industry. Techlink Northwest earned the number five spot with a reported 714% compounded annual growth rate from 2001 to 2004, and closed 2004 with \$5.7 million in revenue. The technical staffing firm specializes in placing engineering talent in product development positions for technology employers in Washington and Oregon. Techlink Northwest is the only technical staffing firm to be listed.

"We continue to see growing demand from local companies for qualified candidates to meet full-time staffing or temporary workload requirements in the greater Seattle and Portland markets,"

said Donn Harvey, President of Techlink Northwest. "That's why we are highly focused on providing the best-fit hardware and software engineering talent to our technology customers. It's a business model that leverages the strengths of our team's product development engineering expertise and high commitment to meeting customer needs."

Each Fastest Growing company must have been established by January 1, 2002; must be an independent, privately held company with headquarters in Washington State; and have recorded net revenues of at least \$200,000 in 2002.

For the complete story and listing on the 100 Fastest Growing Private Companies visit <http://seattle.bizjournals.com/seattle/stories/2005/10/24/focus3.html>.

ABOUT TECHLINK NORTHWEST

Techlink Northwest Inc. is one of the top providers of technical engineering talent to companies in the Pacific Northwest. The company focuses on providing engineering support for all phases of the hardware or software product development process, from feasibility to design to manufacturing and customer support. Technology clients depend on the Techlink Northwest to identify the best engineers for full-time staff positions or temporary workload requirements. The company is headquartered in Bellevue, Washington and has an office in Portland, Oregon. To find engineering talent for a product development project in Washington, call 888-244-4396; in Oregon, call 866-812-1867. Job seekers may search for current openings for engineering and product development positions at www.techlinkNW.com.

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