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## **Tangerine Travel, Ltd. Named One of Washington's Best Workplaces by Puget Sound Business Journal**

***2010 Finalists honored and winners announced at special event on August 12***

**SEATTLE, WA – July 8, 2010 – Tangerine Travel, Ltd.** was named as one of the finalists for Washington's Best Workplaces by the Puget Sound Business Journal. The program was launched in 2007 to identify and recognize best practices in the hiring and retention of great people. After an extensive and rigorous process, which included the completion of surveys by nominee-company employees across the state, workplaces in five different categories -- small, medium, large, extra-large company and nonprofit organization -- have been identified as Washington's best, based on their various employee benefit offerings, leadership culture and work/life balance philosophies. In total, 80 companies have made the grade as finalists.

Tangerine Travel is a travel solutions company. Services include managing corporate travel, group travel, meeting travel, vacation travel and luxury travel. The employees come first at Tangerine Travel and great service to our customers comes naturally.

“We are delighted to be a part of Washington's Best Workplaces for our 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Thank you Puget Sound Business Journal for the opportunity to be recognized and to be grouped with so many wonderful businesses. Congratulations to all the companies on the list.”

*President and founder of Tangerine Travel, Ltd., Angie Lepley*

“Work-force development has never been more important – or more difficult – than it is in today's global economy,” said Emory Thomas Jr., publisher of the Business Journal. “We believe the Business Journal, as the Puget Sound area's top source of business information, has an important role to play in drawing attention to innovations and excellence in the management of our region's No. 1 resource: its people.”

The 80 finalists will be celebrated at a one-of-a-kind awards event at Safeco Field on Aug. 12. Honorees and the public alike are invited to cheer for the workplace accomplishments of these companies from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The celebration will include ballpark food and drink, walking the bases, speed pitching and an awards presentation.

For more information, visit: [www.wabestworkplaces.com](http://www.wabestworkplaces.com)

Tangerine Travel has been in business for over 22 years and continues to expand and flourish. President and founder of Tangerine Travel, Ltd., Angie Lepley has evolved her business strategy to stay ahead of the competition and thrive. Tangerine Travel is the largest independently owned travel agency in Washington State and is also the largest woman owned agency in the Pacific Northwest. Tangerine Travel leads the industry in applying the latest travel technology, which allows us to offer innovative travel solutions. Angie has been able to grow her company by continuing to listen to her clients' needs and the philosophy of “one step further” service. This willingness to go a step beyond what is expected, and the personal relationships that are built through a human connection, enables Tangerine Travel to achieve success.

**About Puget Sound Business Journal** is the region's premier source of business information, serving an unparalleled audience of business and community leaders. In addition to the weekly newspaper, the Business Journal provides daily updates via its web site and email alerts. The company also plays a vital role in bringing the area's leadership community together by hosting a wide variety of events throughout the year, from the Washington's Best Workplaces event at Safeco Field to the annual 100 Fastest Growing Companies celebration to the Women of

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