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**Spectra's Food Services & Hospitality Division Honored with Employer of the Year Award from Bridges from School to Work**

October 29, 2015 (Chester, PA) - Spectra's Food Services & Hospitality division at PPL Park in Chester, PA, is receiving the Employer of the Year Award from the Marriott Foundation for People with Disabilities, Bridges from School to Work on Thursday, October 29 at a luncheon at the Courtyard by Marriott in Philadelphia, PA.

Spectra Food Services & Hospitality recently completed its second Major League Soccer season working with Bridges from School to Work, helping young men and women from this program with disabilities find positions within concessions and catering at PPL Park. Spectra also assisted one employee from this program with additional time at the Liacouras Center, where Spectra also provides services.

"We see the work that Bridges from School to Work does as extremely important, and we are honored to participate in their program, said Spectra Food Services & Hospitality Regional Vice President Linda Recke. "The young men and women we have worked with through this program have been excellent additions to our workforce."

Bridges from School to Work engages employers, schools, community resources, youth and their families to help businesses meet their workforce needs while offering young people with disabilities the opportunity to learn, grow and succeed through employment. Each year, Bridges helps more than a thousand young people – most of whom are transitioning out of high school special education – prepare for the workplace and find a job with an employer in need of qualified, entry-level applicants. By creating and supporting mutually beneficial competitive employment relationships, the program offers opportunities for employment for youth while driving bottom-line results for a business.

Spectra has a proud tradition of community investment and a commitment to making a difference. Together, the Comcast Spectacor, Comcast, and NBCUniversal families empower communities to make a difference by investing in local organizations, mobilizing resources, and connecting people.

In addition to providing Food Services & Hospitality at PPL Park, Spectra by Comcast Spectacor also provides Venue Management and Ticketing & Fan Engagement. PPL Park is home to the Philadelphia Union of Major League Soccer.

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Spectra's Food Services & Hospitality division delivers the industry's most innovative and profitable solutions through its *Everything's Fresh*™ philosophy at sports arenas, stadiums, casinos, convention centers, cultural attractions, fairgrounds, and other specialty venues. Spectra Food Services & Hospitality serves over 250,000 events and 40 million guests each year.

Spectra by Comcast Spectacor is the expert in hosting and entertainment, partnering with over 300 clients and 400 global properties to create memorable experiences for millions of visitors every year. Spectra's expertise is embodied within three divisions: Venue Management (formerly Global Spectrum), Food Services & Hospitality (formerly Ovations Food Services), and Ticketing & Fan Engagement (formerly Paciolan). Learn more at [SpectraExperiences.com](http://SpectraExperiences.com). Comcast Spectacor is a part of Comcast Corporation, a Fortune 50 media and technology company that operates Comcast Cable and NBCUniversal. Headquartered in Philadelphia, PA, in addition to Spectra, Comcast Spectacor owns and operates the National Hockey League's Philadelphia Flyers and the Wells Fargo Center venue. Visit us at [ComcastSpectacor.com](http://ComcastSpectacor.com), [PhiladelphiaFlyers.com](http://PhiladelphiaFlyers.com), and [WellsFargoCenterPhilly.com](http://WellsFargoCenterPhilly.com) for more information.

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