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**CHAZEN COMPANIES NAMED A “BEST PLACE TO WORK”**

**TROY (POUGHKEEPSIE), NY (October 31, 2011)**- The Chazen Companies, a leading provider of engineering, land surveying, environmental, planning, and landscape architecture services, has been named one of 2011’s “Best Places to Work” by *The Business Review* in Albany.

The award recognizes Chazen’s achievements in creating a positive work environment that attracts and retains employees through a combination of benefits, working conditions and institutional culture. Chazen is one of 30 companies to receive the highly sought designation on the strength of its employee evaluations. Employees from 118 companies participated in the web-based survey assessing employee attitudes about their workplace. *The Business Review* will profile the top companies in a special supplement in its December 2 edition and hold a celebration luncheon on December 2 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Albany.

“Chazen is extremely proud to receive this honor. Our staff is truly our company’s greatest asset,” said Mark Kastner, the firm’s President. “We have a wonderful team that is committed to providing outstanding service to our clients. Their dedication and strong collaborative skills foster a vibrant and supportive environment. Every employee in our firm deserves credit for making Chazen a tremendous place to work.”

Founded over 60 years ago, The Chazen Companies is a professional services firm offering engineering, land surveying, environmental, planning, and landscape architecture services. With more than 40 licensed or certified employees and 20 LEED® Accredited Professionals among a staff of 100, Chazen serves a diverse range of clients, including land developers, municipalities, healthcare and educational institutions, and private industries through offices in Poughkeepsie, Troy, and Glens Falls, New York.