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## KIDDER RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY FOR CASH BALANCE PLAN LEADERSHIP

WEST DES MOINES, IOWA – According to the March 2013 issue of Plan Sponsor magazine, Kidder Benefits Consultants is once again a nationwide leader in the design and administration of hybrid cash balance plans. According to the magazine's 2013 Defined Benefit Administration Survey, Kidder ranked fourth in the number of hybrid cash balance plans administered, trailing only Aon Hewitt, John Hancock and Fidelity. Kidder is also a leader in the number of new defined benefit plans sold.

Cash balance plans are often ideal for high-income business owners and key employees, since they provide both the opportunity to generate large tax deductions and an effective way to dramatically grow retirement savings. Annual pre-tax contributions can be well into six figures for the targeted owner/key employee group. And since they're employer contributions, FICA tax savings are also possible.

Cash balance plans also work well as a pure employee benefit. Since they're typically easier for employees to understand and can better control an employer's financial risk, many old pension plans have already converted to cash balance plans.

According to Keith Gredys, CEO & President of Kidder, "We're proud to be recognized for serving the unique retirement savings needs of our clients and their employees. As one of America's largest providers of cash balance plans, we can deliver actuarial and pension consulting resources and expertise, beyond the scope of most other providers."

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