Eisenhart to Head Northwestern Mutual's Human Resources Department

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Prior to joining Pfizer, she served in numerous human resources and scientific leadership roles over a 16-year career with Rohm and Haas Co.

"Attracting, developing and retaining top talent is key to our continued success, and with Jo's sound leadership, the company is well-positioned for the future," said John E. Schlifske, Northwestern Mutual chairman and chief executive officer. "Jo's great depth and breadth of experience across every aspect of the human resources

profession will help Northwestern Mutual further strengthen its reputation as an excellent place to launch and grow a career."

Eisenhart holds doctorate degrees in human and organizational development from the Fielding Graduate University and in inorganic chemistry from the University of Wisconsin. She earned her undergraduate degree in chemistry from the University of Illinois.

In 2011, Northwestern Mutual was named the World's Most Admired Life Insurance Company according to FORTUNE® magazine, leading its industry in key categories including "Quality of Management" and "People Management."

In 2010, Northwestern Mutual was named the No. 1 "Top Milwaukee Workplace" by *The Business Journal of Greater Milwaukee* in its large company category (1,001+ employees) and one of the "Best Places to Work in Information Technology" (IT) by *ComputerWorld* magazine.

Northwestern Mutual's commitment to long-term strength includes strategies to attract, develop and retain top talent.

Eisenhart succeeds Susan Lueger, who retired from the company in July 2010.

About Northwestern Mutual

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