



## **Inc. Magazine Recognizes Starmount Life Insurance as a Leading Job Creator**

*Louisiana-based company wins award for the second consecutive year*

BATON ROUGE, La. – October 24, 2013 – Starmount Life Insurance Company has been awarded *Inc.* magazine's Hire Power Award for the second straight year. This prestigious recognition highlights the commitment this Louisiana-based company has to creating jobs in America.

"It is an honor to be a winner of a 2013 Inc. Hire Power Award," said Hans Sternberg, Chairman and CEO of Starmount Life. "It is a significant accomplishment to be recognized two years in a row as a top job creator. We've continued to grow in the midst of a challenging economic climate because of our dedication to providing our customers with products that offer exceptional value along with a high level of service that surpasses their expectations."

Starmount ranks as the No. 9 job creator in the insurance industry overall and the No. 2 job creator in Louisiana on the 2013 Inc. Hire Power Awards List.

Starmount Life is a privately owned and operated life and health insurance carrier admitted in 49 states. Its sister company, AlwaysCare Benefits, Inc., is a Third Party Administrator and an employee benefits provider of supplemental group plans including dental, vision, critical illness, accident, life, short and long term disability, and limited benefit medical coverage.

The Inc. Hire Power Awards rank companies who have created the most full-time U.S. jobs over a three-year period. In order to qualify, a company had to meet eligibility criteria that required the company to be U.S. based, privately held, founded prior to 2009, employed at least 50 full-time U.S. based employees in 2012 and submitted an employee verification form.

### **About Starmount Life Insurance Company and AlwaysCare Benefits, Inc.:**

Starmount Life Insurance Company and its sister company, AlwaysCare Benefits, Inc., are both privately owned businesses. Known for reliable service and customer satisfaction, Starmount Life designs and underwrites innovative individual insurance products, while AlwaysCare offers and administers individual and group ancillary benefits. For more information, please visit [www.StarmountLife.com](http://www.StarmountLife.com) or [www.AlwaysCareBenefits.com](http://www.AlwaysCareBenefits.com).

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