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## NORTHEAST UTILITIES TO SPONSOR THE PGA TOUR PLAYER EXPERIENCE FOR JUNIOR GOLFERS

**HARTFORD, Conn., May 30, 2014 –** The Travelers Championship is proud to announce that it has teamed up with Northeast Utilities, parent company of Connecticut Light & Power and Yankee Gas, to host the PGA TOUR Player Experience for Junior Golfers. The event takes place on Tuesday, June 17, at TPC River Highlands, and will bring together junior golfers from across the region with PGA TOUR professionals playing in the Travelers Championship.

"We are thrilled Northeast Utilities has assumed lead sponsorship for the Travelers Championship PGA TOUR Experience for Junior Golfers," said Travelers Championship Tournament Director Nathan Grube. "It is exciting to be able to provide the next wave of junior golfers with an experience that will give them insight into what it is like to be on the PGA TOUR."

"Northeast Utilities, along with its operating companies CL&P and Yankee Gas, have a long-standing tradition of giving back to the communities we serve," said CL&P President Bill Herdegen. "We are proud to join with the Travelers Championship and these young golfers. They have earned a chance to play with the pros by raising money for charity — what a wonderful way to carry on the tournament's 61-year legacy of charitable and community outreach."

The PGA TOUR Player Experience for Junior Golfers will feature a rotation of three activities. In the first rotation, junior golfers will play holes with a PGA TOUR professional on the Karl Krapek Family Learning Center at The First Tee of Connecticut Learning Facility. They will then receive a private tour of the official equipment vans on the PGA TOUR, which service the player's equipment needs each week. Lastly, they can participate in a private clinic with a PGA TOUR professional where they will receive swing instruction from some of the best golfers in the world. Following these activities, all participating junior golfers are invited to a private Q & A with PGA TOUR players and a reception for themselves and two guests.

There is still time for junior golfers of all ages and abilities to take part. They can participate in the Birdies for Charity fundraising program for either Connecticut Section PGA Foundation or The First Tee of Connecticut. Junior golfers can also submit a letter to Travelers Championship Tournament Director Nathan Grube requesting entry into the event.

PGA TOUR Player Experience for Junior Golfers, sponsored by Northeast Utilities, is one of the many special events throughout tournament week at the Travelers Championship. Tickets for the 2014 tournament on sale now at <a href="TravelersChampionship.com">TravelersChampionship.com</a>. This year's <a href="TravelersChampionship field">TravelersChampionship field</a> already includes top players such as Bubba Watson, Jason Day, Matt Kuchar, Keegan Bradley, Dustin Johnson, Brandt Snedeker, Sergio Garcia, Zach Johnson, Hunter Mahan, Patrick Reed, Jonas Blixt, Marc Leishman, Louis Oosthuizen and reigning champion Ken Duke. The Travelers Championship will be held June 16 to 22 at TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Conn.

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## **About the Travelers Championship**

As the only PGA TOUR event in the Northeast in early summer, the Travelers Championship is one of the region's premier sporting events. The tournament proudly supports the PGA TOUR's Tradition of Giving Back by donating 100 percent of net proceeds to charities. The title sponsor of the event is Travelers, a leading provider of property casualty insurance for home, auto and business. Travelers has been doing business in the community for more than 150 years and today has more than 7,000 employees in Connecticut. The Official Property Casualty Insurance Provider of the PGA TOUR, Travelers has been a corporate sponsor of this event each year since its inception in 1952, becoming title sponsor in 2007. Complete details are available on www.TravelersChampionship.com.



