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**SEAHAWKS HEAD COACH MIKE HOLMGREN,
LIONS HEAD COACH ROD MARINELLI & SAINTS HEAD COACH SEAN PAYTON
CANDIDATES FOR MOTOROLA NFL COACH OF THE WEEK AWARD**

Fans to Vote for Winner on NFL.com

Head coaches **MIKE HOLMGREN** of the Seattle Seahawks, **ROD MARINELLI** of the Detroit Lions and **SEAN PAYTON** of the New Orleans Saints are the nominees for Motorola NFL Coach of the Week honors for games played October 15-16, the NFL announced today.

Fans can vote on NFL.com for the head coach whose game plan played the greatest role in his team's victory. Voting will take place from Tuesday morning through noon EST on Friday to determine the Motorola NFL Coach of the Week. The winner will be announced Friday afternoon on NFL.com. In January, voting will be held on NFL.com to determine the Motorola NFL Coach of the Year.

A closer look at the Motorola NFL Coach of the Week nominees:

- Seattle's **MIKE HOLMGREN** led the Seahawks to a 30-28 come-from-behind road victory over the NFC West-rival St. Louis Rams on Sunday. Behind 28-27 with less than two minutes left and the ball at their own 17-yardline, quarterback Matt Hasselbeck led the Seahawks into position for a 54-yard field goal attempt that kicker Josh Brown drilled down the middle of the uprights. Holmgren's Seahawks overcame a 21-7 first-half deficit to improve to 4-1 and take over first place in the division.
- Detroit's **ROD MARINELLI** earned his first victory as an NFL head coach when his Lions defeated the Buffalo Bills 20-17 on Sunday. Detroit, which had lost several close games in the opening weeks, jumped to an early 10-0 lead and held on behind a 278-yard, one-touchdown passing performance by quarterback Jon Kitna and a 127-yard, one-touchdown rushing performance by running back Kevin Jones. In addition, wide receiver Roy Williams had a career day, catching 10 passes for 161 yards and one TD.
- New Orleans' **SEAN PAYTON** is the head coach of the NFC South division-leading Saints after New Orleans knocked off the Philadelphia Eagles 27-24 on a last-second field goal by John Carney on Sunday. The Saints have been one of the early surprises of the 2006 season, and Payton, the first-year head coach, has the team believing it can beat anyone it faces. Against the Eagles, quarterback Drew Brees led the way, completing 27 of 37 passes for 275 yards and three touchdowns. Wide receiver Joe Horn caught six passes for 110 yards and two touchdowns.

Motorola's brand has become synonymous with NFL coaches through the coaches' headsets worn during every NFL game. Motorola believes NFL coaches are game-changing innovators whose creativity and expertise are fueling the exciting brand of football enjoyed by millions of fans around the world.

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