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PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP THROUGHOUT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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The Office of the Federal Environmental Executive and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2006 Federal Electronics Challenge (FEC) Awards. The 2006 FEC Awards recognize the achievements of FEC partners and their leadership in federal electronics stewardship. Electronics stewardship actions undertaken by these partners help make the acquisition, operation and disposition activities of the federal government more sustainable.

For 2006, the FEC is recognizing seven Gold Level Award recipients. Each Gold Level Award recipient completed mandatory activities in all three of the electronics life-cycle phases (acquisition and procurement, operation and maintenance, and end-of-life management); completed four additional optional activities; and mentored other federal facilities or agencies on electronics issues. The FEC is also recognizing five Silver Level Award recipients, who each completed mandatory activities in two of three of the electronics life-cycle phases and three additional optional activities; and ten Bronze Level Award recipients, who each completed mandatory activities in one of three of the electronics life-cycle phases and two additional optional activities.

The Gold Level Award recipients were recognized at a White House award ceremony for the Closing the Circle Awards, on June 13, 2006. The Silver and Bronze Level Award recipients were recognized at a ceremony during the Federal Environmental Symposium, on May 4, 2006.

The FEC is a voluntary partnership program that encourages federal facilities and agencies to: purchase greener electronic products; reduce impacts of electronic products during use; and manage obsolete electronics in an environmentally safe way. The federal government, which purchases more than \$62 billion worth of electronic equipment and services annually, has the opportunity to provide leadership in the environmentally sound and cost effective management of electronic assets. The FEC assists federal facilities and agencies to become leaders and face the new challenges posed by life cycle management of electronics.

2006 Federal Electronics Challenge Awards

Gold Level Award Recipients

- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Central Office
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Administration and Resource Management
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

Silver Level Award Recipients

- National Aeronautical and Space Administration, Ames Research Center
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Cropping Systems and Water Quality Research Unit
- U.S. Department of Energy, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10

Bronze Level Award Recipients

- U.S. Department of Defense, Barnes Air National Guard Base
- U.S. Department of Energy, Headquarters
- U.S. Department of Energy, Kansas City Plant
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Illiana Health Care System (Danville)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8