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FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL EXECUTIVE AND EPA HONOR FEDERAL ELECTRONICS STEWARDSHIP EFFORTS

The Office of the Federal Environmental Executive and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2007 Federal Electronics Challenge (FEC) Awards. The 2007 FEC Awards recognize the achievements of FEC partners and their leadership in federal electronics stewardship during 2006.

“The federal government, which purchases more than \$66 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,” said Mr. Ed Piñero, the Federal Environmental Executive. “Electronics stewardship actions undertaken by these partners in 2006 include impressive actions, such as: ensuring that 100% of all electronics purchases were products registered at the Silver level with the Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT); instituting a system to automatically power down all desktop computers at the end of each business day; and donating thousands of electronics to educational institutions under the Computers for Learning program.” “I am especially encouraged by the number of new participants and the number of which moved up to higher levels.” Piñero also said.

For 2007, the FEC is recognizing twelve 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 seven 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 eight 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, Silver and Bronze Level Award recipients were recognized at a ceremony during the 6th Annual Federal Environmental Symposium, on June 5, 2007.

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 FEC assists federal facilities and agencies to become leaders and face the new challenges posed by life cycle management of electronics.

2007 Federal Electronics Challenge Awards

Gold Level Award Recipients

- U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Cropping Systems and Water Quality Research Unit – Columbia, MO
- U.S. Department of Energy, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory – Richland, WA
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs – Agency-wide
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Administration and Resource Management – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 – New York, NY
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3 – Philadelphia, PA
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 – Chicago, IL
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 – Denver, CO
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 – Seattle, WA

Silver Level Award Recipients

- National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Ames Research Center – Moffett Field, CA
- U.S. Department of Energy, Brookhaven National Laboratory – Upton, NY
- U.S. Department of Energy, Headquarters – Washington, DC
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of the Inspector General – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development – Washington, DC
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 – Boston, MA

Bronze Level Award Recipients

- U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho National Laboratory – Idaho Falls, ID
- U.S. Department of Energy, Pantex Plant – Amarillo, TX
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement – Washington, DC
- U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration Aviation Division – Fort Worth, TX
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Illiana Health Care System – Danville, IL

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 – Dallas, TX
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 – San Francisco, CA
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park – Research Triangle Park, NC