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Annual Public-Private Partnership Awards Recipients Named

September 24, 2009 – Arlington, VA: The National Council for Public-Private Partnerships (NCPPP) has completed the selection process for this year's awards for outstanding leadership and projects in the field of public-private partnerships (PPPs). These awards recognize exemplary projects and services that illustrate best practices and innovative approaches in the use of PPPs. These contractual arrangements provide a means for combining the strengths of each sector for the most cost effective delivery of services and infrastructure, while maintaining an appropriate level of public control.

The NCPPP Awards Committee is composed of nationally recognized authorities in the use of public-private partnerships, representing the wide range of applications of this tool. Award recipients are selected in a very competitive process for several categories. The Innovation Award is given in recognition of new approaches in the use of PPPs. The Infrastructure Award is given in recognition of outstanding projects developed with the use of PPPs and the Service Award is given in recognition of years of continuous and outstanding service through the use of a PPP. This year's recipients are:

Distinguished Leadership Award

The Honorable **Governor Janice Brewer** of Arizona, for her leadership in securing passage of significant legislation in support of the use of public-private partnerships.

Innovation Award

Yuma Proving Ground Enhanced Use Lease Project (Yuma, AZ), for the U.S. Army Enhanced Use Leasing Program and General Motors Corporation for the development of a 2,400+ acre area with a world class hot weather vehicle test complex, including multiple test tracks.

Infrastructure Award

Arizona Game and Fish Department Headquarters, for the agency's partnership with the Lincoln Property Company for a Platinum LEED certified campus of three buildings totaling over 115,000 square feet.

Service Awards

Illinois Tollway Telecommunications Facility Leasing Program, for the partnership of the Illinois Tollway and Business Only Broadband for tower co-location along the tollway system which serves not only agency communication needs, but also mobile wireless, wireless internet and point-to-point microwave needs of tollway drivers and neighboring municipalities.

Service Awards (continued)

Milwaukee Metropolitan Water Reclamation Project, for a partnership of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District and Veolia Water Milwaukee for the operation and management of a regional wastewater reclamation system that serves 28 municipalities and 1.1 million people.

Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility (El Segundo, CA), for the partnership of West Basin Municipal Water District and United Water for the operation and maintenance of the recycling facility that has saved over 100 billion gallons of water during the 15 year long partnership.

Presentation of the awards will be made on November 19 at the NCPPP Annual Awards Banquet, to be held in conjunction with the Council's Annual Meeting at the Sheraton Downtown in Phoenix, AZ. The NCPPP is a non-profit educational institute, with membership from both the public and private sectors, that promotes the use of PPPs where appropriate and the use of their best practices. Information about the Council and its activities can be found at www.ncppp.org.

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