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The Department of Agriculture (USDA) conducts an annual small business and Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (JWOD) award program to recognize the outstanding work achieved by our own community. We salute all the small, small disadvantaged, women-owned, and JWOD businesses that have provided exemplary services to the Department. We also recognize and pay tribute to the USDA employees who have excelled in their work with these businesses.

The companies and individuals honored today represent thousands of others who work hard to support the Department, the community and our country. They were selected as winners to represent their agencies as the best of an elite group. We congratulate them all.

We wish to thank everyone who is being honored today and want to express our appreciation to all who assisted in the preparations for this event.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
**AGRICULTURE**

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**Small Business  
And  
Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program  
Award Ceremony**

**Presented by the  
Office of Small and Disadvantaged  
Business Utilization**

**Thursday, June 16, 2005  
10:00 AM  
Patio, Jamie L. Whitten Building**



The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) is available to assist the small business community and act as its advocate and liaison with the Department of Agriculture. If we can be of assistance, do not hesitate to contact us.

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Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

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Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

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Agricultural Marketing Service

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Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

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Small Business Administration

**USDA SMALL BUSINESS  
AND  
JAVITS-WAGNER-O'DAY PROGRAM  
AWARD CEREMONY**

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Mistress of Ceremonies	Sherry Cohen
Presentation of the Colors	Military District of Washington Joint Armed Forces Color Guard
“Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag “	
“America the Beautiful”	Donna Carter Office of Operations
Welcoming Remarks	James House, Director Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization
Introduction	Michael Harrison Assistance Secretary for Administration
Overview	Charles F. Conner Deputy Secretary for Agriculture
Keynote Remarks	Peter J. Thomas Administrator for Business And Cooperative Programs Rural Development
Presentation of Awards	Sherry Cohen Stella Hughes
Closing Remarks	James House

-- Reception --

**USDA  
2005 SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTOR OF THE  
YEAR**

**POLYTEX FIBERS CORPORATION**

Deanna Smith, General Manager  
Houston, Texas

NOMINATING AGENCY: Farm Service Agency

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**USDA AGENCY SMALL BUSINESS AWARD WINNERS**

Analytical Solutions, Inc.

Harlin Sutton  
President  
Fredericksburg, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Agricultural Research Service

Eagle Eye Distributing

Newmann Giles  
President  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Agricultural Marketing Service

Eagle Rock Timber, Inc.

Rick R. Gokey  
President  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Forest Service

ET Enterprises

Edward Timothy Leonard  
Owner  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Food Safety and Inspection Service

Integrated Management Resources Groups, Inc.

Myrna Cooks  
President  
Lanham, Maryland

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Office of the Inspector General

Landair Mapping

Tom Olive  
Owner  
Peachtree City, Georgia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

Quality Technical Services, Inc.

Doña A. P. Storey  
President  
Virginia Beach, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Natural Resources Conservation Service

REI Systems, Inc.

Veer V. Bhartiya  
President  
Annandale, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service

**USDA  
OFFICE OF SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED  
BUSINESS UTILIZATION  
DIRECTOR'S AWARDS**

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**JOHN "DUFF" BURKE**  
Government Accounts Manager  
U.S. Food Services

**STEVEN L. SHAVITS**  
Director of Chain Accounts  
U.S. Food Services

**STEVEN SIMS**  
Vice President for Program and Field Operations  
National Minority Supplier Development Council, Inc.

**USDA  
2005 JAVITS-WAGNER-O'DAY  
SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

**RUFUS COLE**  
Southwestern Region  
Forest Service  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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**USDA AGENCY JAVITS-WAGNER-O'DAY  
SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS**

Acquisitions and Agreements Staff  
Food Safety and Inspection Service  
Beltsville, Maryland

Susan Burton  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Washington, D.C.

Terry L. Kirby  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Washington, D.C.

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**USDA  
2005 JAVITS-WAGNER-O'DAY  
CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR**

**PORTLAND HABILITATION CENTER, INC.**  
John Murphy, President  
Portland, Oregon

NOMINATING AGENCY: Forest Service

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**USDA AGENCY JAVITS-WAGNER-O'DAY  
AWARD WINNER**

Delaware Industries for the Blind  
Alan Wingrove, General Manger  
New Castle, Delaware

Peak Performers  
Charlie Graham, President  
Austin, Texas

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Food Safety and Inspection Service

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

Transylvania Vocational Services, Inc.  
Nancy Stricker, Director  
Brevard, North Carolina

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

**USDA  
2005 SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS  
CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR**

**SLONE ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
William L. Slone, President  
Valdosta, Georgia

NOMINATING AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service

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**USDA AGENCY SMALL DISADVANTAGED  
BUSINESS AWARD WINNERS**

Ace Info Solutions, Inc.  
Jay Challa  
President  
Oak Hill, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Office of Procurement and Property Management

Enterprise Information Services, Inc.  
Vinod Goyal  
Owner  
Vienna, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Food and Nutrition Service

Maya Advertising and Communications  
Luis Vasquez-Ajmac  
President  
Washington, D.C.

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Food Safety and Inspection Service

SpecPro, Inc.  
Armando De La Paz  
President  
Anchorage, Alaska

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Office of the Inspector General

USMax Corporation, Inc.  
David S. Pak  
President  
Gambrills, Maryland

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Agricultural Research Service

Veraz Construction  
Jeffery B. Bengé  
President  
Tualatin, Oregon

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Forest Service

S & K Technologies, Inc.  
Dermont O'Halloran  
Vice President of Business Development  
St. Ignatius, Montana

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

**USDA  
2005 WOMAN-OWNED BUSINESS  
CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR**

**SEIDCON, INC.**  
Pat D. Immel, President  
San Marcos, California

NOMINATING AGENCY: Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service

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**USDA AGENCY WOMAN-OWNED BUSINESS  
AWARD WINNERS**

Carter's Contracting Services, Inc.

Mertha Carter  
President  
Andalusia, Alabama

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Natural Resources Conservation Service

Ender-York, Incorporated

Ann H. Krone  
President  
Fairfax, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Food and Nutrition Service

Integrated Management Resources Group, Inc.

Myrna Cooks  
President  
Lanham, Maryland

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Food Safety and Inspection Service

Jack Morgan Construction Company, Inc.

Jill Tausch  
President  
England, Arkansas

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Agricultural Research Service

Missouri Office Systems and Supplies

Virgie Dillard  
President  
Grandview, Missouri

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

Peanut Processors, Inc.

Rhee B. Sutton  
President  
Dublin, North Carolina

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

The Perara Group, Inc.

Mary Perara  
President  
Odenton, Maryland

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Office of the Inspector General

Wallace Contracting, Inc.

Pam Wallace  
President  
Williston, South Carolina

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Forest Service

**USDA**  
**2005 SERVICE DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESS**  
**CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR**

**VIDEO & TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

Pete Bianchetta, Sales Representative  
Springfield, Virginia

NOMINATING AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service

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METRO, L.L.C.

Larry T. Hayes  
President  
Grandview, Missouri

Stowe Land Clearing

Mark Stowe  
Owner  
Zavalla, Texas

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Farm Service Agency

NOMINATING AGENCY:  
Forest Service

**USDA  
2005 SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

**ANTHONY WIMBUSH**  
Agricultural Research Service  
Washington, D.C.

**CONTRACTING AND ACQUISITION BRANCH**  
Kansas City Administrative Office  
Farm Service Agency  
Kansas City, Missouri

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**USDA AGENCY SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT  
AWARD WINNERS**

Acquisitions and Agreements Staff  
Food Safety and Inspection Service  
Beltsville, Maryland

Howard G. Price  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Riverdale, Maryland

Jan Black  
Forest Service  
Golden Pond, Kentucky

Richard N. Storie  
Office of Procurement and Property Management  
Washington, D.C.

Luann Lillie  
Rattana Kittitornsup-Nantz  
Birdie Neal  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Stillwater, Oklahoma