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## **NATIONAL COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2008 SMALL BUSINESS RECOGNITION AWARDS**

September 12, 2008 – The National Steering Committee (NSC) for the Small Business Ombudsman/Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBO/SBEAPs) recognized three award winners during its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Small Business Recognition Awards Program, Tuesday, June 19. The luncheon was held during the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual National SBO/SBEAP conference at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Frances Hartwell accepted the ***Small Business Environmental Assistance Program Award***. Ms. Hartwell served as a member of the Oregon Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel as well as Vice Chair of the National Compliance Advisory Panel. She has shown exemplary performance in providing assistance to small business as well as exemplary leadership within the national network of state SBO/SBEAP/CAP programs.

The Tennessee Concrete Association was recognized with the ***Trade Association Environmental Leadership Award***, which recognizes exemplary performance and leadership by a trade association to enhance members' compliance with applicable environmental regulations and encourage stewardship of the environment. Alan Sparkman accepted the award on behalf of the association.

Rudolph Cartier, former New Hampshire Small Business Ombudsman, was the recipient of the ***Karen V. Brown Environmental Leadership Award***. The recipient of this award demonstrates a pattern of providing consistent growth and positive outcomes for the SBO/SBEAPs above and beyond the scope of normal duties.

For more information about the ***National Small Business Recognition Awards Program***, visit the 2008 awards web page at [http://www.smallbiz-enviroweb.org/sba/2008awards\\_info.html](http://www.smallbiz-enviroweb.org/sba/2008awards_info.html).