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Gov. Minner Announces 2006 Team Excellence Winner

Dover- Governor Ruth Ann Minner today announced the Energy An\$wers Team from the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control is the 2006 Recipient of the Governor's Team Excellence Award.

The Governor's Team Excellence Award encourages teamwork by recognizing groups of state employees that excel in leadership and team operation, use best practices and superior customer service and produce tangible results. Twenty-six teams were nominated and five teams were selected as finalists.

"Many of our state employees go above and beyond each day to provide our residents the best services possible," Gov. Minner said. "The Energy An\$wers Team has done an outstanding job in launching this innovative energy efficiency initiative. I am proud of all our state employee teams that were nominated, and I appreciate the outstanding work they continue to do."

The fourteen-member Energy An\$wers Team was chosen for successfully launching the Energy An\$wers program which provides every Delaware household with opportunities to save energy and money and in turn improve the environment. By partnering with the state's libraries and electric suppliers, the team provided free compact fluorescent light bulbs and appliance rebates to 100,000 Delaware homes. Through these and other initiatives, it is estimated that the team's efforts will reduce electricity consumption by as much as 50 million kilowatt hours per year and save Delawareans \$10 million, while substantially reducing harmful emissions.

"DNREC's Energy Office and the entire Energy Answers Team have set the standard for providing real customer value and aiding our environment," said DNREC Secretary John A. Hughes. "I'm delighted to have energy be a part of DNREC's mission, and I am extremely proud of our staff."

The five finalists were the American Dream Team (Delaware State Housing Authority), the Griffin Lake Rescue and Reconstruction Team (DNREC), the Lang TB Clinic Team (Department of Health and Social Services), the One Stop Business Registration and Licensing Team (Department of Finance, Department of State, Department of Labor, DTI), and the Planning/ Aglands Team (Department of Agriculture).

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