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Finalists Announced for TechColumbus Innovation Awards

On Thursday, February 5, 2009 the 2008 TechColumbus Innovation Awards will recognize outstanding achievements in technology leadership and innovation at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. From a record number of entries from individuals and companies in all disciplines and industries, 13 winners will be honored and the region's progress as an emerging tech center will be celebrated.

American Business Solutions Inc. (ABSI) is proud to announce they are a finalist in the Minority Owned Enterprise category. "It is an honor to be a finalist for this award and recognized for our innovations. We look forward to the event to be surrounded by our peers, colleagues and mentors to learn if we will be named as the top Minority Owned Enterprise in central Ohio," commented Rajeev Dubey, President and CEO. In addition, Rajeev Dubey is also named as a finalist in the "Executive of the Year" category for a company with more than 50 employees.

With offices in Lewis Center, Ohio, ABSI offers opportunities to connect the IT business community via partnerships in delivering IT contract staffing and new technology solutions. Through partnerships, organizations can help accomplish the objective of sustained profitable growth. ABSI's performance was recognized nationally by <u>Inc. Magazine</u> in 2008 with a raking of 1498 for *The Inc.5000*. In addition, ABSI was #12 in the 2008 "Fast 50" awards by Columbus Business First. For more information about ABSI contact Rajeev Dubey, at (614) 917-2274 or Visit the web site at <u>http://www.absi-usa.com</u>. For more information about the role ABSI provides in the underground utility protection industry, contact Vince Arnold at (614) 747-2274, John Mikesell at (614) 895-7108, or please visit us at this web site at <u>www.OneCallIndustry.Com</u>.

The TechColumbus Innovations Awards celebrate and honor individuals and teams in a variety of disciplines. Each category is an important component of the technology and innovation community. Receiving the top honor showcases an individual or team which is dramatically impacting Central Ohio and beyond. For more information about TechColumbus and the Innovation Awards, visit http://www.techcolumbusinnovationawards.org.

COMPANY AWARD CATEGORIES

Outstanding Startup Business Outstanding Product (company with less than 50 employees/more than 50) Outstanding Service (company with less than 50 employees/more than 50) Outstanding Technology Team Minority Owned Enterprise Green Innovation Innovation in Non-Profit Service Delivery

INDIVIDUAL AWARD CATEGORIES

Executive of the Year (company with less than 50 employees/more than 50) Outstanding Woman in Technology Inventor of the Year