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NPMA Announces Women of Excellence Award

Award recognizing pest control industry's top women leaders opens nominations May 18

FAIRFAX, Va. (May 11, 2009) – The National Pest Management Association (NPMA) announced today a 'Call for Nominations' for NPMA's Women of Excellence Award, presented by Orkin, Inc. The award recognizes women who advance the pest control industry every day, in every way. Nominations open Monday, May 18 and may be submitted online at www.npmapestworld.org by Friday, August 14. Self-nominations will be accepted.

"The Women of Excellence Award is the premier recognition program for women pest control professionals and is the only such program in the industry," said Rob Lederer, executive vice president for NPMA.

The international honor is open to women across the pest control industry. Deserving candidates who demonstrate outstanding leadership and make notable contributions to the development and growth of the profession and other women are encouraged to apply.

Nomination criteria:

An eligible nominee meets the following criteria:

- Works in the pest control industry (pest control operator, manufacturer, researcher)
- Demonstrates leadership in her professional career
- Makes notable contributions to the good of her profession
- Helps other women succeed in the industry

The winner of NPMA's Women of Excellence Award will be chosen by an esteemed and independent judges' panel comprised of professionals with backgrounds in pest control, human resources and other industries. The judges are Ellen Dotson, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Tory Johnson, *Women for Hire* magazine; Rob Lederer, NPMA; Faith Oi, Ph.D., University of Florida; and Jean Seawright, CMC, Seawright & Associates.

The award recipient will be notified in September and formally announced at a special award presentation during NPMA's PestWorld 2009 Convention, October 26-29 in Las Vegas.

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"We are proud to celebrate women who have made significant strides to advance their companies, their colleagues and the pest control profession overall," said Glen Rollins, president and chief operating officer of Orkin, Inc., the presenting sponsor of the annual award.

For more information about the NPMA Women of Excellence Award, please visit www.npmapestworld.org or contact Dominique Stumpf at dstumpf@pestworld.org or (703) 352-6762.

About NPMA

The NPMA, a non-profit organization with more than 6,000 members, was established in 1933 to support the pest management industry's commitment to the protection of public health, food and property, reflected both in the continuing education of the pest control professional and the dissemination of timely information to homeowners and businesses. For more information, contact Julie McGregor Jordan at jjordan@pestworld.org, call 703-352-6762 or visit our professional and member Web site at www.npmapestworld.org.

About Orkin, Inc.

Founded in 1901, Atlanta-based Orkin, Inc. is an industry leader in essential pest control services and protection against termite damage, rodents and insects in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central America, the Middle East, the Caribbean and Asia. With more than 400 locations, Orkin's almost 8,000 employees serve approximately 1.7 million customers. The company serves homeowners and numerous industries including food and beverage processing, foodservice, hospitality, healthcare, retail, warehousing, property/facilities management, schools and institutions. Learn more about Orkin on our website at www.orkin.com. Orkin is a wholly owned subsidiary of Rollins, Inc. (NYSE: ROL).

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