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**MICROSOFT ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER PACIFIC WEST
PARTNER AWARDS PROGRAM WINNERS AND PINNACLE
AWARDS RECIPIENTS**

REDMOND, Wash. – April 9, 2007 – Microsoft is pleased to announce the third quarter winners of the U.S. Field Partner Awards Program in the Pacific West Area, consisting of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. This program, held quarterly, recognizes the contributions of partners serving small, mid-market and enterprise commercial customers. Microsoft also announced recipients of its 11th annual Pinnacle Awards for customer achievements.

“We place tremendous value on our partners, who help us deliver solutions and applications to mutual customers,” said Jane Dickson, Pacific West Area general manager for Microsoft’s Small and Midmarket Solutions and Partners (SMS&P) group. “Microsoft is very excited to acknowledge these partners for their great contributions and achievements.”

In the third quarter, U.S. Field Partner Awards Program winners were recognized across seven individual categories: Teamwork; Customer Satisfaction; Competencies and Best Practices; General Manager Award; Small Business, Large Value; Marketing Excellence; Winning on Value. Winners for the Pacific West Area are as follows:

Madrona Solutions Group & The Resource Group, Seattle, WA. – *Teamwork*

The Teamwork award recognizes situations where multiple partners work together to realize the full potential of solutions for the customer.

POSitive Technology, Inc., Redmond, WA. – *Customer Satisfaction*

The Customer Satisfaction and Experience award recognizes a partner who has consistently provided exceptional customer satisfaction. It also rewards positive, predictable, value-based experience created by the partner for the customer through superior achievement or programs designed to dramatically improve customer experience

Ascentium, Portland, OR. – *Competencies and Best Practices*

The Competencies and Best Practices award recognizes exceptional expertise or competency by a partner in a specific industry, vertical, solution or segment. It also celebrates the partner's commitment to their specific area of specialization.

EMC, Bellevue, WA. – *General Manager Award*

The General Manager award recognizes special or outstanding achievement by a partner. It also recognizes superior partner growth in revenues or new customer business.

Certified Security Solutions, Portland, OR. – *Small Business, Large Value*

The Small Business Excellence award recognizes demonstrated excellence in serving the Small Business community through distinction in small business sales, marketing, or customer satisfaction.

The Resource Group, Renton, WA. – *Marketing Excellence*

The Marketing Excellence award recognizes partners who constantly seek to improve their processes and practices, sharing their expertise and ideas with others. It also recognizes partners who leverage and build on Microsoft's GTM activities to provide great value in reaching customers to help solve business problems using MS technology

Northwest Computer Support, Seattle, WA. – *Winning on Value*

The Winning on Value award recognizes the partner's commitment to providing companies with high-quality solutions in a way that is reasonable and cost-efficient.

Microsoft would like to recognize our Puget Sound Pinnacle Award winners. The Pinnacle Awards, established in 1997, are presented yearly and recognize Microsoft Dynamics customers that have achieved notable accomplishments with their Microsoft Dynamics applications. The Pinnacle Awards recipients from the Puget Sound area are Super Supplements and Logos Research Systems. Super Supplements was supported by their Microsoft Dynamics partnerships MicroAccounting Systems, Inc. of Bellevue, WA, and EVT Retail of Redmond, WA, for Excellence in the Retail/Distribution Industry. Logos Research Systems was supported by their Microsoft Dynamics partnerships Madrona Solutions of Bellevue, WA, and The Resource Group of Renton, WA, for Excellence in Role based Sales, Marketing and Customer Service.

About Microsoft Dynamics

Microsoft Dynamics is a line of financial, customer relationship and supply chain management solutions that helps businesses work more effectively. Delivered through a network of channel partners providing specialized services, these integrated, adaptable business management solutions work like and with familiar Microsoft software to streamline processes across an entire business. Microsoft Dynamics customers, partners and team members contributed Pinnacle Award nominations.

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