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## **Morgantown Entrepreneur Receives SBA Small Business Award** *Kathy Clinton Named 2009 Minority Small Business Person of the Year*

**MORGANTOWN, W.Va.** – Kathy Clinton, president and owner of Performance Results Corporation (PRC), headquartered in Morgantown, W.Va., was recognized as West Virginia’s 2009 *Minority Small Business Person of the Year* by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) at the 2009 Mid-Atlantic SBIR/STTR Conference on Tuesday, December 1, 2009.

*“The presentation of this prestigious award affords us the opportunity to recognize the hard work and dedication of not only an outstanding entrepreneur, but the minority small business community as well,”* said SBA West Virginia District Director Judy K. McCauley. *“PRC, a SBA 8(a) certified, small disadvantaged business, has accomplished tremendous business growth as a participant in the 8(a) program, which is a direct reflection on the entrepreneurial abilities of Kathy Clinton. I am honored to recognize her as the 2009 West Virginia Minority Small Business Person of the Year.”*

Clinton received the award in conjunction with SBA’s 27<sup>th</sup> annual Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week program. MED Week commemoration activities are designed to recognize outstanding owners of minority small businesses for their individual achievements and contributions to our nation’s economy. The event is a collaborative partnership between the SBA and the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Minority Business Development Agency and has been proclaimed by the President of the United States since 1982.

*“I very much appreciate receiving this award from the SBA, which supported me in starting up my business in 2000,”* said Ms. Clinton. *“Being selected as the Minority Small Business Person of the Year reflects not only on the success of PRC but also on the exceptional efforts of PRC’s employees who made this success possible.”*

PRC, which began as a small business with three employees in April of 2000, has grown to more than 190 employees working in sixteen cities across thirteen states, with nearly \$15 million in revenue in 2008. The company is expected to earn approximately \$19 million in revenue for 2009. PRC provides support services and solutions to corporate and government clients in the areas of: facilities, strategic planning and management, administrative support, project management, technical and engineering services, and information technology. The company has a reputation for providing quality services to its customers who include the U.S. Department of Energy, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the U.S. Army. PRC also serves in a subcontracting role to a number of large businesses, which include Lockheed Martin, Battelle, URS, and Booz Allen Hamilton.

Clinton has also been recognized as the U.S. Department of Energy's Woman-Owned Small Business of the Year for 2008; by The Dominion Post, a Morgantown publication, as one of the *100 Most Influential Persons in the Morgantown Area*; and, most recently, by The State Journal for its annual *Who's Who in State Business Award*.

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(l-r) Judy McCauley, Director, SBA WV District Office; Kathy Clinton, President PRC