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The Bartech Group Wins 2008 MMBDC Minority Supplier of the Year Award

October 9, 2008, LIVONIA — The Bartech Group, a talent acquisition and management firm that provides professional staffing, workforce management, business process outsourcing and consulting, and other human capital solutions, won the 2008 Michigan Minority Business Development Council (MMBDC) Class IV Minority Supplier of the Year Award for the second consecutive year, and the third time since 2003. Jon E. Barfield, Chairman and President, accepted the award at the MMBDC's 25th Annual Awards Dinner held at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center Hotel on October 8. The event honored corporate and minority business enterprise (MBE) award winners as well as Harriet Michel, President of the National Minority Supplier Development Council. With 20 years of service, Ms. Michel will retire in January 2009.

The award is based on demonstrating outstanding performance in the following areas: business growth, product innovation, cost saving performance, MBE procurement spend, minority employment and job creation history, and community involvement. Very importantly, customer letters of recommendation were reviewed when selecting the winner.

"This award is a testament to the consistent, high quality services we provide our customers. I am grateful to our customers and employees who deliver our services because without them, this award and recognition would not be possible," commented Mr. Barfield. He went on to say, "It is also important to recognize the unique contributions that Harriet Michel has made to companies like Bartech. She raised the bar regarding both the performance expectations of MBEs, and the expected commitment levels of corporations to diversity procurement spend."

Over the past two years, The Bartech Group has been recognized with a record 16 awards. This achievement is based on a commitment to delivering services that are always superior in quality and building long lasting, win-win relationships with our clients.

About The Bartech Group

The Bartech Group is one of America's most respected, successful, and resourceful minority-owned talent acquisition and management firms. We bill and manage \$1 billion in staffing, workforce management and consulting expenditures on behalf of our customers. In 2007 the Company celebrated 30 years of business success. Bartech provides several key services: Search Services and Staffing Services focused on

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Engineering, Information Technology, Finance and Accounting, and Professional; Contingent Workforce Solutions; Recruitment Process Outsourcing; and Business Process Outsourcing/Consulting. Each of these services is designed to improve productivity, manage costs, and increase the quality of our client workforces. The Bartech Group has approximately 3,000 employees throughout the United States, Canada, and Mexico. The Company is an NMSDC Corporate Plus member. Bartech's strength is its ability to both design and deliver effective solutions that help our clients meet key business objectives. For more information, visit www.bartechgroup.com.

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