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Jon E. Barfield of The Bartech Group Wins National Minority Supplier Development Council's Leadership Award

May 21, 2008, NEW YORK — Jon E. Barfield, Chairman and President of The Bartech Group, was honored with the National Minority Supplier Development Council's (NMSDC) Leadership Award at the Council's annual awards banquet in New York yesterday. This award is based upon the many achievements that Mr. Barfield has spearheaded and championed in his leadership role at Bartech. The Bartech Group is a talent acquisition and management services company that bills and manages \$1 billion in staffing spending on behalf of its customers. The Company is a Corporate Plus member of the NMSDC with membership in 21 of its affiliated state councils. The NMSDC is a nonprofit organization that provides increased procurement and business opportunities for minority businesses of all sizes.

"Jon Barfield ranks among the top minority businessmen in America," said Harriet R. Michel, President of the NMSDC. "His vision and strong leadership have built Bartech Group into a highly successful staffing and consulting firm, and NMSDC is proud to honor him with our Minority Business Leadership Award."

Bartech Group's Chairman and President, Jon E. Barfield, said, "I am honored to receive this prestigious award from the NMSDC. The NMSDC has paved the way for many businesses such as Bartech to obtain access to large corporations. This access allows us the opportunity to demonstrate our ability to deliver superior quality and compete with companies of any size. We are very grateful for the tireless efforts and important work of Harriet Michel and her leadership team at the NMSDC."

As the NMSDC's Leadership Award recipient, Jon E. Barfield was also selected for a profile in the May 5/Special Edition issue of Fortune Magazine. This profile is featured in the magazine's advertorial on minority business.

Not more than one month ago, The Bartech Group won General Motors' highly coveted Supplier of the Year Award for the second consecutive year. Recent customer recognition also includes the Eaton Premier Supplier Award and the Chrysler Minority Business Enterprise of the Year Award. These awards are in recognition of Bartech's commitment to the consistent delivery of superior performance and quality.

Mr. Barfield serves on the boards of directors of National City Corporation, BMC Software, and CMS Energy. He was a director of Dow Jones & Company before that company was acquired by News Corporation in December 2007. He also volunteers his time as a director of several major, non-profit institutions. Mr. Barfield is a charter trustee emeritus of Princeton University, a member of the board of

trustees of The Henry Ford (formerly Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village), and a director of Detroit Renaissance, New Detroit, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. He is a former director of Reading Is Fundamental, Kettering University, The Children's Center, and the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan. He is also former president of the National Technical Services Association, historically one of the human capital and staffing service industry's leading trade associations. Mr. Barfield graduated with honors from Princeton University in 1974, and received a Juris Doctor degree from Harvard Law School in 1977.

About The Bartech Group

The Bartech Group, billing and managing \$1 billion in revenue annually for our customers, is one of America's most respected, successful, and resourceful minority-owned talent acquisition and management services firms. In 2007 the Company celebrated 30 years of business success. Bartech provides several key services: Search Services and Staffing Services focused on 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 more than 3,500 employees throughout the United States, Canada, and Mexico. Bartech is considered the Supplier of Choice for America's business community in the 21st century, and the Employer of Choice within its chosen markets. 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.

About NMSDC

Providing a direct link between corporate America and minority-owned businesses is the primary objective of the NMSDC, one of the country's leading business membership organizations. It was chartered in 1972 to provide increased procurement and business opportunities for minority businesses of all sizes.

The NMSDC Network includes a national office in New York and 39 Regional Councils across the country. There are 3,500 corporate members throughout the network, including America's top publicly-owned, privately-owned, and foreign-owned companies as well as universities, hospitals, and other buying institutions. The Regional Councils certify and match more than 15,000 minority-owned businesses with member corporations that want to purchase their goods and services. For more information about NMSDC, call (212) 944-2430 or visit the Web site at www.nmsdc.org.