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NASA SHARED SERVICES CENTER RECOGNIZES EMPLOYEES AT 2012 NASA HONOR AWARDS

BAY SAINT LOUIS, Miss. -- The NASA Shared Services Center (NSSC) held its sixth annual Honor Awards ceremony at the Stennis Space Center auditorium August 8, honoring employees for exceptional performance.

NSSC Executive Director Michael Smith and Goddard Space Flight Center Director Christopher Scolese presented seven individual medals, four group achievement awards and seven certificates of achievement.

Smith noted, "Today we have an opportunity to recognize some outstanding NSSC employees. The hard work and positive attitudes of these individuals make the NSSC what it is today."

Two NSSC employees received NASA's Exceptional Service Medal. This prestigious medal is awarded for significant, sustained performance characterized by unusual initiative or creative ability that clearly demonstrates substantial improvements or contributions in engineering, aeronautics, space flight, administration, support or space-related endeavors that contribute to NASA's mission.

Peggy Mosteller of Long Beach, Miss., chief, financial accounting and employee services at the NSSC, received an NASA Exceptional Service Medal for displaying technical and leadership skills to sustain and improve multiple agency financial activities.

Bob Poncet of Diamondhead, Miss., chief of operations and budget management at the NSSC, received an NASA Exceptional Service Medal for outstanding service, while managing the NSSC Working Capital Fund and lowering the NSSC's operating costs for a five-year period.

Two NSSC employees received NASA's Exceptional Public Service Medal. This medal is awarded to persons who are not government employees but made exceptional contributions to the mission of NASA.

Lori (Dyle) Hatten, of Gulfport, Miss., lead, transformation and continuous improvement, of CSC (formerly Computer Sciences Corporation) was awarded for her exceptional

leadership and outstanding contributions as the NASA Enterprise Service Desk project manager for CSC.

Sharif Kharuf, of Gulfport, Miss., financial support specialist, for Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (ASRC), was recognized for his unwavering commitment to innovation and customer service in the financial management division of NSSC.

One NSSC employee received NASA's Exceptional Achievement Medal. This prestigious medal recognizes a significant, specific accomplishment or contribution that improves operations, efficiency, service, science or technology contributing to the NASA mission.

Monique Sullivan of Diamondhead, Miss., chief, research activities branch, in the Procurement Division of the NSSC, was acknowledged for her extraordinary commitment, innovation and leadership in the award and administration of the agency's Small Business Innovation Research contracts and grants, supporting critical aerospace research.

One NSSC employee received NASA's Exceptional Administrative Achievement Medal, an award given by NASA to any person in the United States federal service for a significant, specific accomplishment or contribution characterized by unusual initiative or creativity that clearly demonstrates a substantial improvement in administrative support contributing to the mission of NASA.

Lorri Clark, of Carriere, Miss., secretary in the Business and Administration Division, was presented with the NASA Exceptional Administrative Achievement Medal for her outstanding administrative support to the NSSC's employees, visitors and customers.

One NSSC employee received an Early Career Achievement Medal. This prestigious NASA medal is awarded to any Government employee for unusual and significant performance during the first 10 years of an individual's early career in support of the agency.

Michael Tubbs of Diamondhead, Miss., communication specialist for the Customer Satisfaction and Communication Branch, was honored for his accomplishments with an NASA Early Career Achievement Medal for his efforts to improve customer satisfaction and communication at the NSSC.

Several groups at the NSSC received the NASA Group Achievement Award. This NASA certificate is awarded to any combination of Government and/or non-Government individuals for an outstanding group accomplishment that has contributed substantially to NASA's mission.

NASA Group Achievement Awards were presented to the Enterprise Service Desk Project Team, I3P Business Office Implementation Team and the NSSC Retirement Services Team. NSSC Certificates of Achievement were presented to the following NSSC employees: Kori Galey, Angela Griffin, Brandi Head, Douglas LeMere, Brian McGinley, Kellie Noel and Michele Rollins.

An NSSC Group Achievement Award was presented to the NSSC Online Course Management Team.

Honor awards recognize carefully selected individuals and groups, both government and nongovernment employees, who have made outstanding contributions to the agency's mission.

The NSSC is a partnership between NASA, CSC and the states of Mississippi and Louisiana. The NSSC performs selected business activities for all 10 NASA centers in financial management, human resources, information technology, procurement and business support services.

For information about the NASA Shared Services Center, visit: <u>http://www.nssc.nasa.gov</u>

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