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WSA names 18 individuals, companies, organizations as finalists for 2007 Industry Achievement Awards

“Community Choice Award” will solicit votes from general public via the Web

SEATTLE – (Jan. 19, 2007) - WSA, the state’s oldest and largest technology trade organization focused on ensuring Washington State’s leadership position in the digital economy, today announced the 18 finalists for the 12th annual Industry Achievement Awards, the annual technology awards gala that recognizes the state’s most outstanding technology achievements in a variety of categories.

The 18 finalists make up six different categories, including:

- **Breakthrough Technology of the Year:** BioPassword, Inrix, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- **Business Product of the Year:** Attenex Corp., Tableau Software, Twisted Pair Solutions
- **Consumer Product of the Year:** Farecast, Inc., Logos Bible Software, WhitePages.com, Inc.
- **Service Provider of the Year:** PTSO of Washington, SafeHarbor Technology Corporation, SolutionsIQ
- **Technology Innovator of the Year:** Chris Diorio, Ph.D., Chairman and CTO, Impinj, Inc.; Bryan Mistele, President & CEO, Inrix; Rob Gilde, Vice President of Product Development, Lockdown Networks
- **Best Use of Technology in the Government or Nonprofit:** OPSCAN – Olympic Public Safety Communications Alliance Network, PTSO of Washington, Tacoma Goodwill

“The WSA is focused on supporting technology innovators succeed and the WSA Industry Achievement Awards honor the great technology companies in Washington State,” said Ken Myer, WSA president and chief executive officer. “These 18 finalists have proven to be among the premiere technology companies in this region.”

Myer also announced a new twist for this year’s awards ceremonies – The Community’s Choice Award. Beginning in February, the general public will be able to vote for its favorites through the WSA’s Web site, www.wsa.org. Myer said more details on this unique award will be released shortly.

The annual awards banquet, which will take place March 21, 2007 at the Westin Hotel in Seattle, is considered to be one of the technology industry’s most prestigious events and attracts more than 1,000 business and community leaders who drive the growth of Washington State’s technology industry.

About the WSA

Founded in 1984, the WSA (formerly the Washington Software Alliance) is a community working together to advance the economic value and global impact of technology companies. The result is that it is helping to secure the region’s leadership in the

technology industry. With more than 1,000 member companies representing more than 100,000 software, Internet, telecommunications and technology company employees, the WSA is a catalyst for industry connections and collaboration. Its members work together in content communities, receive key business services, and lead the advocacy of issues necessary to grow Washington State's impact as a leader in the digital economy. For information, please see www.wsa.org.

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