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MAYOR ANNOUNCES INDIANAPOLIS SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS FINALISTS

Winners to be announced at Feb. 9th luncheon

INDIANAPOLIS – Mayor Greg Ballard and the Office of Sustainability announced the finalists for the first-ever Indianapolis Sustainability Awards today. Five winners, narrowed down from nearly 70 applicants, will be announced at the luncheon that is to be held Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2010 at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown.

“We are impressed by the quality of all of the projects that were submitted for consideration,” Mayor Ballard said. “Everyone involved in these projects should be commended for their efforts to make Indianapolis a more sustainable city. The finalists are truly outstanding and set the bar high for other projects that are helping us reach our goal of making Indianapolis one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest.”

Five categories for the awards include air, land, water, energy and reduce, reuse, recycle. The project finalists are as follows:

Air
- Alternative Fueled Lawn Equipment: Eli Lilly, Jones Lang LaSalle Kite, The Brickman Group
- Idle/Emission Reduction Project: Celadon Trucking Services, Inc.
- Metals Recovery System: Covanta Indianapolis, Inc.

Land
- 14-acre Natural Area Restoration: Dauben Community Nature Park
- Big City Farms: Matthew Jose
- Greening the Crossroads: A Green Infrastructure Vision for Central Indiana: Central Indiana Land Trust

Water
- Chiller Plant Reclamation System: Roche Diagnostics
• **Efroymson Conservation Center’s Storm Water Management System**: The Nature Conservancy, Indiana
• **Indianapolis Cultural Trail**: Rundell Ernstberger Associates

**Energy**

• **2009 Electrical Reduction**: Redcats USA
• **Butler University College of Pharmacy and Health Science Expansion**: Browning Day Mullins Dierdorf
• **IndyGo Capital & Operation Upgrade**: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation

**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

• **Broad Ripple Village Recycling Program**: Green Broad Ripple, Inc.
• **Comprehensive Recycling Program**: Indianapolis Zoo
• **Rush Hour Recycling**: Green Piece Indy

The Indianapolis Sustainability Awards are designed to inspire innovation, showcase impact, reward leadership and promote education around the principles of sustainability. The awards will be hosted by green living expert Sara Snow, a Butler University graduate who is currently the host of “Get Fresh with Sara Snow,” which airs nationally on the Discovery Channel.

Tickets and sponsorships for the awards luncheon are available. For more information, visit www.SustainIndy.org/awards. Tickets can be reserved by contacting Alane Summers, Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, at ASummers@indylink.com. The Indianapolis Sustainability Awards are presented by the Indianapolis Office of Sustainability, McKinney Foundation and the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.

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