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## **NRC EARNS GOLD STAR AWARD DURING “SMALL BUSINESS WEEK”**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is one of three federal agencies that is being recognized today during Small Business Week 2006 for its exemplary performance and commitment to providing contracting and subcontracting opportunities for small, women-owned and disadvantaged businesses.

The award is being given by the Small Business Administration (SBA). The SBA is presenting the Gold Star Award to the NRC for its impressive achievements in Fiscal Year 2005, including awarding 37.8% of its total prime contract dollars to small businesses, 9.1% to 8(a) firms, and 8.5% to women-owned small businesses.

At the NRC, the Office of Small Business and Civil Rights (SBCR) oversees this program, supported by headquarters and regional offices. “Diversity and equality can only be achieved by full participation,” said Luis Reyes, Executive Director for Operations, “We’ve got a lot of good people doing a lot of good things and I applaud this teamwork.”

SBCR Office Director Corenthis Kelley will be accepting the Gold Star Award on behalf of the NRC at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. For more information, please contact Mauricio Vera, Small Business Program Manager at 301-415-7160 or [mxv@nrc.gov](mailto:mxv@nrc.gov).

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