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Clarkston Consulting Recognized for its Outstanding Corporate University

DURHAM, NC — January 9, 2007. Clarkston Consulting, a leading management and technology consulting firm, received a first place ranking in the Human Resources (HR) International Quality and Productivity Center's (IQPC) Corporate University Best In Class (CUBIC) Awards which recognize outstanding corporate university programs. Clarkston tied for first place in the category of Best Overall Corporate University.

The CUBIC Award was established to recognize, honor and promote corporate universities that are true best practices. "We are pleased to recognize Clarkston Consulting as a best in class organization that sets the standards of excellence for training," stated Guy Clayton, Director of the 2006 CUBIC Awards. "The award applications were extremely high quality and competitive and Clarkston should be proud of achieving this level of recognition from their peers."

"Investing in skill building and professional development is critical to building a world class consulting firm. Our corporate university is just one way we demonstrate our commitment to our stewards and clients," said Tom Finegan, CEO of Clarkston Consulting. "In today's highly competitive environment, our ability to recruit, develop and retain the best and brightest depends upon our success in this area. To that end, we are thrilled that our program has been recognized as best in class."

Clarkston's corporate university is a critical part of our overall Strategic Workforce Planning Strategy and focuses on enhancing the core competencies and skill sets of the company's 250+ consultants as well as keeping them abreast of trends and business drivers within the two industries they serve (Consumer Products and Life Sciences). The training and skill building programs are aligned across four key areas: business and industry knowledge, technology and systems, management and leadership, and core consulting skills (communications, problem solving, teamwork, etc.). A blended learning approach has been implemented that includes a combination of: classroom, eLearning, business cases, self-study, on-the-job training, and lunch n' learn sessions. External and internal classroom training allows employees to dedicate time to learning new skills through focused instructor-led courses.



About IQPC's CUBIC Awards

The Corporate University Best In Class (CUBIC) Awards recognize and promote corporate universities that demonstrate true best practices. The training executive CUBIC awards goal is to find the true effective world-class corporate universities so that training organizations and individuals may look towards the winners as the benchmark for their profession. For more information, visit www.cubicawards.com.

About Clarkston Consulting

Clarkston Consulting is a leading management and technology consulting firm that provides strategic business solutions for clients within the life sciences and consumer products industries worldwide. These market leaders turn to Clarkston to help them bridge the gap between strategy and execution to sustain a competitive advantage. Clarkston is a sought-after business partner because of its recognized industry thought-leadership and superior client relationships, as measured by The Conference Board's survey on client satisfaction. For more information, visit www.clarkstonconsulting.com

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