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COOKSEY COMMUNICATIONS NAMED FINALIST FOR U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S "SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR"

DALLAS – March 4, 2010 – Cooksey Communications, a Dallas/Fort Worth-based strategic communications consulting firm, has been named a Blue Ribbon Small Business Award winner and one of 75 national finalists for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's prestigious "Small Business of the Year" competition.

Each year, the U.S. Chamber recognizes small businesses across the country that have demonstrated innovative business practices in several areas, including business strategy, employee development, community involvement and customer service. The annual "DREAM BIG Small Business of the Year" competition is part of the U.S. Chamber's overall initiative to foster the entrepreneurial spirit, create new jobs and boost the economy.

"This Blue Ribbon recognition represents the culmination of our last 16 years in business as one of the leading PR firms in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and is a tribute to the successes we have achieved in partnership with our clients," said Gail Cooksey, president of Cooksey Communications. "We greatly appreciate the U.S. Chamber's recognition of our commitment to our employees, our innovative business practices and our efforts to make a difference in the community around us."

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce will recognize all Blue Ribbon Small Business Award winners at a special ceremony in Washington, D.C., in May, as part of its annual "America's Small Business Summit 2010."

About Cooksey Communications

Cooksey Communications, Inc. is a Dallas/Fort Worth-based strategic communications consulting firm that specializes in issues management for transportation, water resources, energy and economic development clients and strategic communications for professional services firms and retail/hospitality clients. The 11th-largest firm in the region, Cooksey represents clients such as Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP; the National Math and Science Initiative; Jackson-Shaw; and Devon Energy. For more information, visit www.cookseypr.com.

About the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business federation representing the interests of more than three million businesses of all sizes, sectors and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations. For more information, visit www.uschamber.com.

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