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### **CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY – SAN BERNARDINO RECEIVES APPA’S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE**

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Baltimore, Maryland, July 16, 2007– California State University – San Bernardino’s Office of Facilities Services received the Award for Excellence in Facilities Management, the highest institutional honor bestowed by APPA, the association serving educational facilities professionals. The award was officially presented to CSUSB facilities officials at APPA’s annual awards banquet July 16, 2007 in Baltimore, Maryland.

According to APPA President Chris Ahoy, associate vice president for facilities at Iowa State University, the CSUSB facilities office exemplifies excellence in all of the areas necessary to achieve the award: leadership; strategic and operational planning; customer focus; information and analysis; development and management of human resources; process management; and performance results.

“California State University – San Bernardino has an exceptional campus, not only in terms of its beauty and location, but inclusive of the entire staff of the facilities office.” Ahoy said. “The Office of Facilities Services works to meet the increasing demands of a rapidly changing environment and provide services in a proactive, responsive, cost effective, and service-oriented manner that parallels and supports the University’s strategic plan.”

Founded in 1965, California State University – San Bernardino’s mission is to provide quality higher education and leadership to promote social, cultural, and economic progress in the community. Located equidistant between Los Angeles and Palm Springs in the heart of Southern California, the campus serves the rapidly expanding Inland Empire, an area encompassing more than 27,000 square miles - a territory larger than 10 states. The campus itself covers 441 acres, with 79 buildings totaling over 2.5 million square feet of both State and non-state property. Nearly 15,000 students attend this institution.

The APPA Award for Excellence is designed to recognize and advance excellence in the field of educational facilities. Originally established in 1988, the Award for Excellence is APPA’s highest institutional honor and provides educational institutions the opportunity for national and international recognition for their outstanding achievements in facilities management. The award is designed to highlight the essential role of facilities operations in the overall institutional mission and vision.

*APPA is the association of choice serving educational facilities professionals, representing more than 1,500 learning institutions encompassing over 4,700 individuals throughout the United States, Canada, and internationally.*

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