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Postal Service Rated Among Best in Diversity

WASHINGTON — The Postal Service has been named one of the 40 Best Companies for Diversity in the July issue of *Black Enterprise* magazine.

The results were based on a survey *Black Enterprise* sent to the top 1,000 publicly traded U.S. companies and the 50 leading global companies with U.S. operations. The survey focused on the multicultural workforce in these companies.

"The Postal Service recognizes the value and diversity of all of its employees and is proud to be recognized for it," said Anthony Vegliante, chief human resources officer and executive vice president. "As one of the nation's largest employers with nearly 590,000 career employees, we embrace diversity as a vital component to enriching our workplace while better serving our customers — now and in the future."

"We view diversity as a winning business strategy and use it as a tool to deliver results," said Susan LaChance, vice president, Employee Development and Diversity. "It makes good business sense."

Forty percent of postal employees are minorities as compared to 32.8 percent in other federal agencies. Fifteen percent of executives are African-Americans. The Postal Service employs approximately 124,000 African-Americans, 52,000 Hispanics, 50,000 Asians, 1,300 native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islanders and nearly 4,000 American Indian/Alaska Natives.

For more information on the survey, visit this *link*.

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A self-supporting government enterprise, the U.S. Postal Service is the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no direct support from taxpayers. With 36,000 retail locations and the most frequently visited website in the federal government, the Postal Service relies on the sale of postage, products and services to pay for operating expenses. Named the Most Trusted Government Agency six consecutive years and the sixth Most Trusted Business in the nation by the Ponemon Institute, the Postal Service has annual revenue of more than \$68 billion and delivers nearly half the world's mail. If it were a private sector company, the U.S. Postal Service would rank 28th in the 2009 Fortune 500.