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**AGResearch International nominated for two awards by Women's Business Council Southwest**

DENTON Texas, Jan 31–AGResearch International LLC, a business offering a full range of Human Resource services supporting corporate research, candidate development/recruiting, succession benchmarking and competitive intelligence requirements has recently been nominated, along with two AGResearch employees, for two awards by the Women's Business Council- Southwest, a regional certifying partner of the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC).

The **WBE Advocate of the Year Award** recognizes a Woman- Business -Enterprise owner or individual employee of a WBE who has demonstrated advocacy of women owned business development. Through leadership and service, this person is recognized for consistently showing support for other WBE member businesses as well as other organizations... Out of all the employees of the 700 WBE member businesses, there were only 18 individuals nominated, and two of these included employees of AGResearch: April Grady, President; and Tina Lewis, Business Development Assistant...

AGResearch was also nominated for the **WBE RISING STAR AWARD**. This award recognizes a newly-certified WBE who has consistently demonstrated the highest degree of support for and involvement with the WBCS in its first year of Council membership. Of the 700 women business enterprises, there were only 12 selected for nomination in this category, including AGResearch.

“AGResearch is a newer member of our group, but they hit the ground running,” said Alma Garcia, Director of Development for the Women's Business Council- Southwest. “They immediately got involved in helping our organization out in different ways”. Garcia praised Ms. Grady and Ms. Lewis for their contributions to the Harvesting Partners event last year, saying that they were both instrumental toward the success of that event. “AGResearch is looked upon very well by its peers”, said Garcia.

Nominees were recognized, and the 2007 winners of each category were announced at the Eleventh Annual Awards Gala; Parade of the Stars, which took place on January 23, 2007. AGResearch and its employees were honored to have been listed as award nominees in two categories, each of which only had selected a small number of members and/or individuals out of many others. At this time, AGResearch wishes to extend heartfelt congratulations to all the winners from each award category, and would like to thank WBC-Southwest for a wonderful evening and the exciting opportunity to be recognized as nominees during their first year of membership.

To learn more about AGResearch International, please visit [www.agresearch.info](http://www.agresearch.info)

**About AGResearch:**

With 35+ professionals and over 200 years of combined experience, AGResearch provides the mission-critical intelligence that companies need in order to make key human capital decisions. AGR conducts original research and name generation and executes full candidate development exercises as well as comprehensive succession benchmarking studies. AGResearch is also an emerging leader in the field of competitive intelligence. All services are offered on an hourly basis – by providing on demand availability, AGR gives clients maximum flexibility and control. Clients include 9 of the Fortune 50 and 23 of the Fortune 100.