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STAR SERVICE, INC. OF NEW ORLEANS' EMPLOYEE NAMED 2005 LINC SERVICE® BUSINESS SYSTEMS MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Beverly Begin Takes Top Honor at Atlanta Awards Ceremony

PITTSBURGH, April 19, 2006 – Star Service, Inc. of New Orleans' own Beverly Begin recently received the Linc Service Business Systems Manager of the Year award at the 2006 Linc Service Continuing Education Conference in Atlanta.

The Business Systems Manager of the Year award is presented annually to one Linc Service Business Systems Manager who has demonstrated excellence in achieving the professional and financial goals established by Linc Network, LLC. Consideration for the award requires that the General Manager or Area Vice President at a franchise location nominate the Business Systems Manager. Winning the highly competitive award is a result of achieving the highest average score on a host of criteria pertaining to the financial and operational performance of the company.

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“Given the ongoing effects of Hurricane Katrina on the Gulf Coast area, Beverly’s service in 2005 truly went above and beyond the call of duty,” Linc Network, LLC, President and CEO Scott Giacobbe said. “I know she is happy to receive this award, but I think she’s even more pleased to know that her efforts have helped to restore hope to her co-workers and business associates in the wake of a terrible tragedy. Under extraordinary circumstances, she showed why she is loved and respected by those around her. Everyone throughout the Linc Service® Network salutes her for this well-deserved award.”

In recognition of the Business Systems Manager of the Year award, Begin and a guest attended Linc Network, LLC’s “All-Star Diamond Event” held at Marriott’s Harbor Beach Resort & Spa in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in March. For nearly seven years, Begin has served as the Business Systems Manager at the New Orleans location of Star Service, Inc. – a Linc Service® Contractor since 1984. With seven franchise locations throughout the Southeast, Star Service, Inc. has been designing, maintaining and managing mechanical systems for its industrial and commercial customers since 1952.

Linc Network, LLC, headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pa., and Atlanta, Ga., is the franchisor of the Linc System™, a business format for operating a commercial heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) service business. Founded in 1979, the Linc Service Network provides energy solutions to commercial building owners worldwide. For more information, visit Linc’s Web site at www.lincservice.com. Linc Network, LLC, is part of The Linc Group (TLG), one of the nation’s most innovative providers of facility performance services to building owners and operators. TLG maintains corporate offices in Houston, Texas, and Irvine, Calif. Collectively, TLG companies service more than 15,000 facilities in 42 states and in select international markets through a professional workforce totaling more than 2,400 employees. For more information about TLG and its companies, visit www.thelincgroup.com.

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