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MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **PVSC To Recognize Local Firms With Perfect Environmental Compliance**

**- BPU Commissioner Joseph Fiordalisio to Deliver Keynote Address -**

For the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive year the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners (PVSC) will recognize companies that operated in the previous calendar year without a reporting or effluent violation, at its annual Permit Compliance Awards Breakfast to be held Thursday, April 2, 2009 at the Holiday Inn-North in Newark.

Included in this year's honorees is a company that has achieved perfect compliance for 14 straight years and three others that will be presented with a *PVSC Gold Award* for a decade without a reporting or discharge violation.

The Keynote Address will be given by Joseph Fiordalisio, Commissioner of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Over 120 attendees are expected to attend as PVSC recognizes 138 companies that operated without a reporting or effluent violation in 2008. Handy Fixtures Stores, Inc. of Newark remains the only company to have a perfect environmental record since PVSC began offering its Permit Compliance Award in 1995.

Companies qualifying as Significant Industrial Users operating in the PVSC service area are issued a Sewer Use Permit, which includes limits for the quality of effluent the company may discharge into the sewer system. These companies must also monitor and report their discharges to PVSC on a monthly basis. Compliance violations occur when a company fails to file its monthly report on time or exceeds any permitted discharge limit.

**WHAT:** PVSC Annual Permit Compliance Awards Breakfast

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 2, 2009  
9:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Holiday Inn - North  
160 Frontage Road  
Newark, NJ