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**PORT AUTHORITY'S DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC INCLUSION RECEIVES  
AWARD FOR WORK WITH MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED  
BUSINESSES**

*Deborah Robb Named Individual Champion at 2011 South Central Ohio  
Healthcare Supplier Diversity Symposium*

**Cincinnati, Ohio (April 20, 2011)** The Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority announced today that Ms. Deborah Robb, Director of Economic Inclusion, received the Individual Champion award at the 2011 South Central Ohio Healthcare Supplier Diversity Symposium held on April 18, 2011. Ms. Robb was selected through a competitive process based on the following criteria: actual results, leadership commitment, supplier development, outreach, accountability, and advocacy. This is the second year the Healthcare Symposium has given this award.

"Deborah is a dedicated, passionate and tireless advocate for supplier diversity and economic inclusion in the region," states the nominator for the award, Mr. Michael Connelly, President/CEO of Fortress Evolved Records Management.

Beyond her role at the Port Authority, Deborah brings her expertise to the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council (SCOMSDC), the African American Chamber of Commerce, the UC Health Supplier Diversity Team, the Tristate Healthcare Supplier Diversity Consortium, and the Greater Cincinnati Minority Counsel Program.

"I am honored to have been selected as the recipient of Individual Champion award," said Ms. Robb. "I feel privileged to have been given this recognition, and I will continue to collaborate with minority and women business development groups to foster and grow minority and women business enterprises in Greater Cincinnati."

In addition to her work at the Port Authority, Ms. Robb is on the board of the African American Chamber of Commerce and chairs its Economic Development Committee. Additionally, she serves on the Local Advisory Committee for the SCOMSDC, and is a member of the Steering Committee for the Greater Cincinnati Minority Counsel Program.

***About the Port Authority:***

*The Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority was formed in 2000 to stimulate growth of the regional economy as an economic development organization for Hamilton County and the City of*

*Cincinnati. The Port Authority enters into public-private partnerships to provide infrastructure financing for development projects and to redevelop brownfields. For additional information, please visit <http://www.cincinnatiport.org/>.*

***About the South Central Ohio Healthcare Supplier Diversity Symposium:***

*The South Central Ohio Healthcare Supplier Diversity Symposium brings together chief executive officers, senior executives and supply-chain management from healthcare providers, group purchasing organizations, product manufacturers, construction company, and distributors in the healthcare supply chain throughout Columbus, Dayton, Cincinnati, and Northern Kentucky, as well as minority and women business owners. Its objective is to facilitate increased spending in the entire healthcare supply chain with diverse suppliers in the region.*