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## Elwood Staffing Recognized as a Finalist for Indiana Small Business of the Year 2009

**February 19, 2009 (INDIANAPOLIS)** — Elwood Staffing was recognized as a finalist for the Indiana Small Business of the Year Award for the second consecutive year during a luncheon held yesterday. The luncheon also included a keynote by Mitch Roob, Indiana's Secretary of Commerce and the CEO of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, who spoke of the important role of small businesses in the state's economy.

"We are proud of the ongoing efforts of the winning companies and the small business community at-large. These companies impact all of us. They contribute to many working families' income, to the prosperity of respective communities and to the entire state's economic competitiveness, "Indiana Chamber President Kevin Brinegar noted. The Chamber recognized Elwood Staffing for its culture, growth, and commitment to the communities in which it does business.

Elwood Staffing is one of the country's leading providers of commercial staffing services. Founded in 1980 and based in Columbus, Indiana, the company has 140 employees in 7 states with more than half employed in Indiana. Elwood Staffing places thousands of temporary associates each year in light industrial and clerical positions.

The Small Business of the Year award is open to all Hoosier companies with 250 employees or fewer. Other finalists for the award were MonoSol, LLC, of Merrillville; Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service of New Castle; Scorpion Coatings of Cloverdale; and Unified Group Services of Anderson.



Mark Elwood, CEO (left) accepts the award presented by Kevin Brinegar (right), Indiana Chamber President.

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