DISTINGUISHED PERFORMANCE AWARD FOR CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP

Wes Bush Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and President Northrop Grumman Corporation

Wes Bush has set a true example of corporate citizenship by aligning social responsibility strategies with Northrop Grumman's core business goals and day-to-day operations. CED applauds Wes for his work as Chair of the Business-Higher Education Forum and the efforts he's undertaken – personally and on behalf of Northrop Grumman – to advance practical education reforms at the state and national levels.

In addition, Wes' emphasis on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) resonates with CED's own focus, through its *Business Champions for Postsecondary Student Success* initiative, on improving innovation, technological creativity, and productivity in our education system.

We admire Wes' extraordinary passion and dedication to enhancing postsecondary education in the U.S. His efforts to garner business support to invest strategically in our graduates are essential to ensuring that the American economy has a workforce that can deliver and compete in the global economy.

Bush earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in electrical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He also completed the University of California, Los Angeles' Executive Management program. Bush serves on the board of directors of Norfolk Southern Corporation. He also serves on boards of several non-profit organizations, including the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, Conservation International and the Business-Higher Education Forum. In 2008, Bush was appointed to serve on the National Infrastructure Advisory Council.

CED is honored to present the Corporate Citizenship Award to Wes Bush and Northrop Grumman.

