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TO: SLA Board of Directors
FROM: Diversity Leadership Development Program Committee
DATE: 16 January 2008
RE: DLDP Award Winners for 2007

RECOMMENDATION: We hereby recommend that the Board accepts these five nominees as recipients of the DLDP Awards for 2007.

The purpose of the Diversity Leadership Development Program is "to help accelerate the advancement and visibility of members who represent a diverse population of the Association by mentoring them for more leadership opportunities within the Special Libraries Association, to ensure that the Association remains vital, relevant, and representative of its diverse membership." The DLDP Awards are given to active members of the Association who represent a background of diversity and who have demonstrated leadership abilities within the profession and a willingness to aspire toward leadership opportunities within the Association. Of note, this year the committee decided to lower the minimum SLA membership requirement from two to one year.

This year we received ten nominations for the Award. Having carefully reviewed the nomination forms, we are pleased to announce that these five candidates meet the standards set forth and best represent the qualities identified for awardees:

Blanca Chou
 Senior Manager
 Information Resource Center
 Otsuka American Pharmaceuticals
 Rockville, MD
 Debal C Kar
 Fellow, Library and Information Centre
 The Energy and Resources Institute
 New Delhi, India

Lina Ortega
 Chemistry and Mathematics Librarian
 Assistant Professor of Bibliography
 University of Oklahoma Library
 Norman, OK
 Janet Todwung
 Library Assistant
 Washburn University School of Law
 Topeka, KS

Cheryl Jacocks-Terrell
 Biomedical Research Librarian
 Philip Morris USA
 Richmond, VA

We would like to thank the Board and our generous corporate sponsor, Ebsco, for their continued support and funding of this Program since 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair: Jeffrey Dreiblatt	Committee Members: Linda U. Absher Stephanie D. Tolson Rebecca I. Pernell	Board Liaison: Roberto A. Sarmiento Staff Liaison: Jill Calabria
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