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RYAN SUCHALA, SUSAN CORDTS, KATHEY WAGNER ELECTED TO AWEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS; 2010-11 OFFICERS ELECTED

PHOENIX, Ariz. (July 8, 2010): Bank of Arizona President Ryan Suchala, Adaptive Technologies, Inc. (ATi) President and CEO Susan Cordts and State Farm Insurance executive Kathey Wagner have been elected to three-year terms on the Arizona Women's Education and Employment (AWEE) Board of Directors.

The board also has elected Tammy McLeod, Vice President and Chief Customer Officer at APS, Chair for the 2010-11 fiscal year. Other members of the executive committee are: Virginia Nelson, Senior Vice President, MidFirst Bank, Vice Chair; Anna Solley, President, Phoenix College, Secretary; Sandra LaMell, Vice President Commercial Product Management, MidFirst Bank, Treasurer; Carol Warner, President, Johnson Carlier, Inc., Immediate Past Chair.

New board member Suchala has been with Bank of Arizona for more than ten years. He is past chairman of the Young Risk Management Association and a board member with the Risk Management Association. His community involvement includes serving as Membership Chair for Friends of Ronald McDonald House in Dallas, Texas, and eight years as a board member and as chair of various committees with the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas.

Cordts, named one of the 2009 Top 25 Businesswomen of the Year, joined ATi after serving as CEO and Managing Director of Universal Robotic Systems, LLC. She also is involved with the Human Services Campus, Maricopa Health Foundation, Finding My Shoes Organization and Women In Leadership.

Wagner began her career in the insurance industry with a Fortune 1000 company in 1988 as a personal lines underwriter in Greeley, Colo. Since then, she has served in a number of management capacities including Agency Field Executive, Zone Sales Associate Manager and Agency Resources Manager. She served on the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission in Salt Lake City from 2003-06 and was Board Chair and a board member with Arizona Saves until 2009.

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About Arizona Women's Education and Employment (AWEE)

AWEE has been transforming the lives of Arizonans into "faces of success" for nearly 30 years. Since our inception, we have helped create successful beginnings and renewed hope for more than 100,000 women, men and young adults. Gone are the days of simply moving people off welfare. Today, the nonprofit AWEE is Arizona's preeminent workforce development organization, offering a diverse range of evidence-based training and support services throughout Maricopa and Yavapai counties. For more information, visit www.awee.org or call (602) 377-5395.