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Another top honor

WESTERN NATIONAL BANK NAMED 2008 BANK OF THE YEAR BY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION

Western National Bank, a community bank focused on SBA lending and the small business community in metropolitan Phoenix, has been named 2008 Bank of the Year by Business Development Finance Corporation (BDFC).

BDFC recognized Western National Bank for being the top producer of SBA 504 loans in Arizona and comes just two weeks after the bank received similar accolades from Southwestern Business Financing Corporation (SWBFC).

Additionally, BDFC named Kyler Keinholtz, assistant vice president for Western National Bank, as 2008 Banker of the Year.

“It has become very evident that borrowers today want to deal with local bankers at strong institutions,” said Bill Hinz, Western National Bank’s president and chief executive officer. “Customers want to know their bank is going to be there for them and we have certainly proven that in the SBA niche.”

Western National Bank has locations at 2525 E. Camelback, Ste. 100, at 24th Street and Camelback in Phoenix; at 16435 N. Scottsdale Road, Ste. 140, at Frank Lloyd Wright and Scottsdale Road in Scottsdale; and at 6500 N. Scottsdale Road, at Lincoln and Scottsdale Road in Scottsdale. The bank’s web address is www.wnbank.com. Along with traditional savings and checking accounts for individuals, Western National Bank specializes in wide array of products and services for small businesses.

BDFC is a private, non-profit corporation dedicated to economic development by providing affordable financing for Arizona businesses. As an SBA Premier Certified Lender

(PCLP), BDFC has financed more than \$1 billion in projects from its offices in Phoenix and Tucson since 1979. Its web address is www.bdfc.com.