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ALBEMARLE RC&D COUNCIL RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

EDENTON, NC—August 18, 2010—The Albemarle Resource Conservation and Development Council, Edenton, NC, has received special recognition from the National RC&D Association’s Circle of Diamonds program for its exemplary management policies and practices. Albemarle RC&D Council is only the sixth RC&D Council (out of 375) nationwide and the first RC&D Council in North Carolina to have earned this distinction.

As a standing member of the Circle of Diamonds since 2006, Albemarle RC&D Council already demonstrated its positive impact on the quality of life within its local area, accountability to the public, and commitment to the RC&D mission. According to the National RC&D Association, in earning enhanced (Tier II) membership, ARC&D has shown its ability to go beyond the specific benchmarks outlined in basic program guidelines. ARC&D Council’s adherence to the governance practices and high management standards necessary for enhanced membership raise its credibility and effectiveness in serving the needs of its community.

Marshall Stevenson, Chairman of the Council from Pasquotank County, received the notice of this award. “The Albemarle RC&D Council represents 10 counties in the northeast North Carolina region, and last year helped to implement over \$2.5 million in projects that protected natural resources and contributed to local economic development. ARC&D leveraged \$21 for every dollar of federal funding and 9 local businesses and 30 local jobs were created or retained as a result of these projects. These accomplishments reflect the partnerships with our communities and Council members. We are proud to be recognized by our national office for the integrity of our business practices, which provide the foundation for our effectiveness.”

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