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Clarkston Consulting Honored as One of the Best Places to Work by the Triangle Business Journal

Durham, NC – November 13, 2007. Clarkston Consulting, a global management and technology consulting firm, announced that the company was recently recognized by the *Triangle Business Journal* as one of the top companies to work for in the Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill, NC area.

“We are honored to be recognized as a best place to work in the Triangle area,” said Tom Finegan, Clarkston’s Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder. “This award affirms the importance of our continued focus on our stewards. Providing a rewarding and stimulating environment for our stewards will ultimately drive success for our clients and the growth of our firm.”

The annual Best Places to Work Award recognizes companies who succeed in creating a positive work environment that attracts and retains employees through a combination of company culture, working conditions and benefits.

Clarkston was one of 149 companies to enter and was selected based on its strong benefits, open communication policies, community contributions, and its dedication to employee training and professional development. Also noted, was the firm's commitment to obtaining honest, confidential employee feedback through its annual employee satisfaction survey and for turning employees' responses and recommendations for change into action. All 45 winning companies are profiled in an in-depth special section in *Triangle Business Journal's* September 28th edition.

Clarkston has achieved similar awards in the past for its corporate culture and brilliant client service. In 2007, Clarkson was named to the American Society of Training and Development (ASTD) "BEST Awards" list, which recognizes organizations that demonstrate enterprise-wide success through employee learning and development. Clarkston received a first place ranking in the Human Resources (HR) International Quality and Productivity Center's (IQPC) 2006 Corporate University Best In Class (CUBIC) Awards. In 2005, Clarkston was ranked #4 among the best employers in North Carolina, a competition compiled by the Best Companies Group, Inc. In addition, Clarkston recently reported an overall client satisfaction rating of 99% in an independently performed client satisfaction survey conducted by TCB e-Surveys. This rating represents the seventh consecutive year Clarkston has achieved a rating of over 90 percent.

About Clarkston Consulting

Clarkston Consulting is a different kind of management and technology consulting firm. We deliver a unique experience for market leaders within the Consumer Products and Life Sciences industries. Considering professionalism, expertise, and value as prerequisites, we take service a step further through our unyielding commitment to the success of people as individuals, both our clients and our employees. By combining integrity, adaptability, and a whatever-it-takes attitude, we have achieved an extremely high rate of referral and repeat business and a client satisfaction rate of 97% over the past five years as measured by The Conference Board.

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