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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Navajo-Owned Business FlexCrete Building Systems Receives the Arizona Innovative Award

PAGE, Ariz. – Arizona Gov. Janet Napolitano presented the Arizona Innovative Award to FlexCrete Building Systems, a Navajo-owned business, on Thursday, Aug. 16.

Leonard Teller, Navajo FlexCrete Building Systems Chairperson and council delegate, along with Jim Shirley, FlexCrete Plant Manager and Earl Tulley, Construction Services Division Director, were all on hand to receive the award from Gov. Napolitano.

The award is to acknowledge the partnership of creating employment in the Northwest Arizona community, and utilizing fly ash to create aerated block that has an insulating value.

Chairperson Teller thanked Gov. Napolitano for taking note of the unique partnership between the city of Page and a Navajo Enterprise in creating employment and producing an environmentally friendly building product that he termed “a gold mine.”

Gov. Napolitano offered accolades to the Navajo Nation FlexCrete Building Systems for creating an innovative building product that is composed of a waste product, and used in an environmentally friendly manner.

In an effort to recognize businesses, school initiatives, individuals, and government entities that are making strides to promote Arizona in the global economy, Gov. Napolitano has established the “Arizona Innovation Awards.” The awards will be presented statewide to those who are creating new products that improve the quality of life for Arizona citizens and entities that are incorporating math, science, and technology into the course of everyday business.

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Through her National Governors Association (NGA) initiative Innovation America Gov. Napolitano has engaged her fellow Governors, business leaders, educators, and others to create and implement policies to make the states more competitive in the global marketplace.

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