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**HIGHGROVE PARTNERS RECEIVES NATIONAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AWARDS**

Austell, Georgia (January 13, 2006) – HighGrove Partners is proud to announce it has been awarded three Grand Awards in the Commercial Landscape Maintenance and Residential Design/Build categories as well as an Overall Safety Achievement Award in the 36th Annual Environmental Improvement Awards Program sponsored by the Professional Landcare Network (PLANET). The Grand Award represents the highest level of achievement in each category.

HighGrove Partners received Grand Awards in Commercial Landscape Maintenance for its work on Emory Crawford Long Hospital and The Forum in Atlanta, Georgia and for its Residential Design/Build work on the Conn Residence in Marietta, Georgia. Emory Crawford Long Hospital features a sophisticated landscape in a highly pedestrian urban setting. The Forum is a Class A office that is surrounded by waterfalls and features a courtyard with a wide variety of landscape specimens ranging from the tropics to the Northern Pacific coast. The Conn Residence converted their backyard into an outdoor living room with a pool, waterfall, and lush landscaping.

“At Emory Crawford Long Hospital, we strive to provide our patients with a peaceful environment to care for themselves and their loved ones. The landscaping services provided by HighGrove Partners furthers this mission and welcomes patients from the moment they arrive on our campus,” says Shari Creech, Property Manager for Emory Crawford Long Hospital.

“We have formed long-term partnerships with each of these clients and are very grateful for the opportunities they’ve provided us to perform at the highest standards. We take tremendous pride in this accomplishment and we’re especially honored that we’ve been granted awards for multiple projects. We actively foster a culture at HighGrove Partners that demands excellence and enables people to realize their potential. These awards reflect our culture and we are just thrilled,” says Jim McCutcheon, Chief Executive Officer and Partner of HighGrove Partners.

PLANET’s Environmental Improvement Awards Program reflects the association’s commitment to creating and preserving the beauty of our landscape. The program is designed to reward independent landscape and lawn care professionals who execute superior projects. PLANET strives to increase public awareness of environmental improvement through contracted landscaping and lawn care and encourages the consistent use of quality materials and workmanship.

About HighGrove Partners

HighGrove Partners is one of the Top 50 landscaping companies in the United States and is one of the largest privately owned diversified landscape design/installation/maintenance companies in Atlanta, Georgia. HighGrove Partners provides a full range of landscape services to office parks, commercial buildings, private residences and other commercial, institutional, and community operations. Services include landscape architecture, master planning, landscape design, design/build services, ongoing commercial and residential maintenance, floriculture, irrigation, and turf care. HighGrove Partners has two locations in the Atlanta, Georgia area and a location in Charlotte, North Carolina.

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