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DATE: March 5, 2002

TO: All Appointing Authorities

FROM: Oscar B. Jackson, Jr., Administrator and
Cabinet Secretary of Human Resources

RE: **2002 Administrator of the Year Award**

The Administrator of the Year Award, presented by the Oklahoma Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), is a tribute to a public service practitioner whose career exhibits the highest standards of excellence, dedication, and accomplishment. Men and women in Oklahoma who work for federal, state, or local government, nonprofit organizations, or institutions of higher education are eligible to be nominated for the award. Past state of Oklahoma recipients include Jerry Regier, former Cabinet Secretary of Health & Human Services (2001); Hans Brisch, Chancellor, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (1999); Connie Irby, Director of the Oklahoma Senate Staff (1997); and, Oscar B. Jackson, Jr., Administrator and Cabinet Secretary of Human Resources (1995).

The ASPA, established in 1939, is the largest and most prominent professional association in the field of public administration, with a diverse membership of more than 12,000. Oklahoma has long had a tradition of having one of the more active ASPA chapters. The Oklahoma Chapter of ASPA represents the field of public administration for the state of Oklahoma as a whole; while the chapter is based in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area, members come from all areas of the state and from all levels of government.

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2002 Administrator of the Year Award to be presented on Monday, May 6, 2002, at the Tinker Air Force Base Officers Club. **Nominations received before the close of business on Friday, April 5, 2002, will be given priority consideration.**

Letters of nomination and any supporting materials may be mailed directly to the following address:

Administrator of the Year Award
Attn: Brett S. Sharp, OK ASPA
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University of Central Oklahoma
100 North University Drive
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Nominations may also be e-mailed with attachments to bsharp@ucok.edu.

If there are questions or if additional information is needed regarding the Administrator of the Year Award or the nomination process, please contact Caroline Pierce at (405) 359-4685.