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Barber Joins Oak Ridge Economic Partnership Staff

August 6, 2007 – The Oak Ridge Economic Partnership is pleased to announce that Kathy Barber has joined the staff as Existing Industry Manager. Barber will be responsible for business retention and expansion as well as workforce development.

Barber comes to the Partnership from the Knoxville campus of National College of Business & Technology where she worked in community relations and workforce development and remains on the college advisory board. She has been involved in economic development and workforce development serving on the Knoxville Chamber Economic Development Committee since 2005. Barber is Chair of the Workforce Employer Outreach Committee for Knox County, serves on the board of Executive Women International and is President-Elect of the Oak Ridge Human Resource Association.

“We are very pleased to have Kathy on board as a part of the Partnership team,” said Kim Denton, President of the Oak Ridge Economic Partnership. “Her enthusiasm for the job as well and her ability to hit the ground running will be an asset to the Partnership and to the business community as a whole.”

The Oak Ridge Economic Partnership, a support corporation of the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce, spearheads the recruitment, retention and expansion of industrial and office business in the Oak Ridge community.

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