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**BSK Analytical Laboratories Fresno, CA has received the ACIL Seal of Excellence program for 2008.**

This program provides users with a mechanism for evaluating environmental testing laboratories. Participants are committed to ensuring the integrity of data, meeting customer's quality needs and setting the standards of performance for the testing laboratory industry.

Any environmental testing laboratory who wants to be recognized as a participating laboratory must maintain proof of an annual ethics training and an early detection system for questionable analytical practices, submit a signed code of ethics and twelve months of Proficiency Testing (PT) scores, and distribute satisfaction surveys to their customers.

The participants have committed to a uniform code of ethics and provide Performance Evaluation data and Customer Survey data for comparison to other participants. The Seal of Excellence participants demonstrate that they are proud of the quality they achieve and always operate with customer service as a top priority.

The results of the program's PT scores, customer satisfaction scores, list of Seal of Excellence Qualified Participants and the laboratory contact information are made public. All other customer information is held in the strictest confidence between the laboratory and the program administrator.

The Award is presented to laboratories scoring greater than 90% on the combined average of all the PT studies for the previous twelve months and ranked better than 3 on overall customer satisfaction and timeliness as measured by the Seal of Excellence Survey.

The Twelfth annual Seal of Excellence Awards were presented at the ACIL Annual Meeting on October 13, 2008.

For additional information on the Seal of Excellence program contact the Program Administrator at (302) 368-1211 or email [mmoore@advancedsys.com](mailto:mmoore@advancedsys.com).