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## **The DDS Companies' CFO Nominated for 2008 Up & Coming Businesswomen's Award**

ROCHESTER, NY – Chief Financial Officer of The DDS Companies (DDS), Victoria B. Damon, is on the list of finalists for the Rochester Women's Network Up & Coming Businesswomen's Award for the year 2008.

Each year the Rochester Women's Network recognizes a select group of local women who have been in their career fields for less than 10 years, and have made an impact by demonstrating the highest levels of achievement in their professions.

The nominees include women who have successfully demonstrated professional influence in their fields through their accomplishments, career growth, advancement, innovation, creative thinking, and initiative.

"Torie is a critical part of our business at The DDS Companies. She has contributed a keen awareness of our capabilities to customers, and we are very proud that she has been recognized for her accomplishments," said Sean Donohoe, President.

Damon graduated from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 2000 with a BS degree in Finance, and obtained her MBA with a concentration in Management and Leadership in 2004. She is currently continuing her education through RIT's advanced certification in Human Resource Development Program.

Before becoming a Business Valuation Consultant, and Vice President of Commercial Banking, Damon's career began as a Financial Analyst in the Commercial Real Estate Division of FleetBoston. During her time as an analyst, Damon completed the FleetBoston Certified Financial Analyst program, as well as the Livingston County Chamber of Commerce management/leadership program entitled "Leadership Livingston". Damon's vast experience in finance and management led to her current position as Chief Financial Officer for The DDS Companies – one of the "fastest growing construction companies in America".

### **About The DDS Companies**

The DDS Companies provides a variety of services via its three divisions. Listed as one of Inc. Magazine's Fastest Growing Companies in America, and ranked #7 on the Rochester Business Alliance list of "Top 100 Companies" for 2007, DDS is a multi-million dollar organization, powered by more than 100 local employees. Headquartered in Henrietta, NY, DDS is organized into three divisions:

**DDS Engineers (DDSE)** a full service civil engineering firm that specializes in site design and land planning services for commercial and residential *site development*.

**DDS Constructors (DDSC)** provides *site construction* services including mass earthwork, asphalt paving, site restoration and drainage utility installation.

**DDS Utilities (DDUC)** consists of two separate divisions. The *Utility Division* provides underground utility construction and installation, for gas, electric, and communication utility companies. The *Telecom Division* provides voice and data telecommunications installation and maintenance services, along with fiber optic construction both inside and outside buildings.

Learn more at [www.ddscompanies.com](http://www.ddscompanies.com).

### **About the Rochester Women's Network**

The Rochester Women's Network was founded in 1978 and is the largest network of its kind in the country. Its mission is to be a multifaceted forum where women create connections, build relationships and make their mark. Rochester Women's Network members represent over 400 local employers and more than 150 women-owned businesses. Learn more at [www.rwn.org](http://www.rwn.org).

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