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**ALISON R. HELLER-ONO AWARDED CPE® CERTIFICATION**

**Bellingham, WA - January 26, 2009** - The Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics (BCPE®) is pleased to announce the recent certification of Alison Heller-Ono. Alison was granted the distinguished Certified Professional Ergonomist (CPE) credential. This credential is awarded to the ergonomics professional who has a master's degree in ergonomics/human factors (or an equivalent educational background), three (3) years of full-time professional practice in ergonomics, and passed a seven hour written examination.

The mission of the BCPE is to provide ergonomics/human factors (E/HF) certification to protect the public, the profession, and its professionals by assuring standards of competency and advocating the value of certification. BCPE is the certifying body for individuals whose education and experience indicate broad expertise in the practice of ergonomics/human factors. Since its incorporation, more than 1,200 professionals have successfully achieved certification as an Associate Ergonomics Professional, Associate Human Factors Professional, Certified Professional Ergonomist, Certified Human Factors Professional or Certified Ergonomics Associate. The Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics has awarded the Certified Professional Ergonomist designation since 1992.

In 2001, BCPE had the worldwide distinction of being the first organization to receive endorsement by the International Ergonomics Association (IEA) as an accredited ergonomics/human factors certifying body. The BCPE is further recognized by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene (ABIH) as a premier credentialing organization for the E/HF profession and is a corporate member of the National Organization for Competency Assurance (NOCA), adhering to their guidelines and standards for certification professionalism. For more information about BCPE and its certification programs, visit the BCPE web site at <http://www.bcpe.org> or contact the BCPE Office at (888) 856-4685.

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