



**Congratulations to the Veterinary Specialty Center of Tucson –
A Finalist for the Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch Awards**

July 9, 2008 - We are excited to announce that the Veterinary Specialty Center of Tucson has been selected as a finalist for the Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch awards.

Comerica Bank and the Arizona Small Business Association have joined forces to shine a spotlight on Arizona-based, second-stage companies that are generating new jobs and sustaining business growth. Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch celebrates and honors high-performing, second-stage companies from across the state for their achievements and contributions to the region's economy. Known for their performance in the marketplace, innovative products, unique processes or philanthropic actions, these companies are the pride of Arizona, representing a wide range of industries from all corners of the state and demonstrating outstanding performance in the business climate.

Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch is unlike other awards. Because it focuses on the entire state and not specific industries, Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch provides an opportunity to paint a realistic picture of a true statewide economy. The companies selected each year make a point about Arizona's diverse economic landscape. Since applicants are evaluated on more than growth, the award includes companies that fly below the radar – those not often recognized for the critical differences they make in their industry, their region and their state. They make an astounding impact on the state's economy by collectively providing thousands of jobs and contributing millions of dollars of revenue. All told, the businesses that comprise Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch tell a compelling story about the region's economy.

Final results will be announced by early September. A gala ceremony to honor the 2008 recipients will be held on November 11, 2008, at the Phoenix Convention Center.

Comerica Bank Arizona Companies to Watch is presented by ASBA (the Arizona Small Business Association) in collaboration with the Edward Lowe Foundation (www.edwardlowe.org)

