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Cork-Howard Construction Services, LLC named one of Atlanta's 4<sup>th</sup> fastest growing private companies.

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ATLANTA, Georgia (April 13, 2007) – Atlanta Business Chronicle has named Cork-Howard Construction Services one of the city's 4<sup>th</sup> fastest growing private companies. Cork-Howard Construction Services joins only 50 other companies given the coveted distinction of Pacesetter for setting the pace for local business growth and sales.

Lori Howard was presented with The Pacesetter Award at a breakfast ceremony April 13 at the Cobb Galleria Centre and is featured along with her partner, Gene Cork, in the Chronicle's annual Pacesetters special supplement.

Pacesetters shared the stage with a panel of alumni Pacesetters. The distinguished panelists included Solid Source Realty's Michele Shoda, Air Serv Corporation's Frank Argenbright Jr. and AirDefense Incorporated's Jay Chaudhry.

“We are very honored and appreciative for the recognition of the work that we do; the work that we love,” says Lori Howard, Managing Member of Cork-Howard Construction Services.

To qualify for the list, companies must have their headquarters in Atlanta (subsidiaries of other companies are not included), and they must have 2006 revenue between \$1 million and \$300 million. They must have a two-year growth in sales of more than 50 percent. Companies are ranked by a growth index formula, which is used to level the playing field among companies of different sizes.

Factors in the formula include the percent change and absolute change in revenue and number of employees from 2004 through 2006. The results are ranked against those of all companies on the list. Employee growth was weighted 40 percent and revenue growth was weighted 60 percent.