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[Washington, D.C., September 8, 2008]—Federally Employed Women (FEW) National President, Sue Webster and Alfred V. Almanza, Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to document their commitment to engage in and sustain a partnership between FEW and FSIS in recruitment, training, retention, advancement and involvement of Women in FSIS' workforce and programs and to promote increased cooperation between FEW and FSIS in all areas of mutual interest.

FSIS is the public health agency in the USDA responsible for ensuring that the nation's commercial supply of meat, poultry and egg products is safe, wholesome, and correctly labeled and packaged.

"We are pleased to enter into this agreement with FSIS and look forward to a win-win relationship benefiting their employees and our members as we continue working toward our goals," stated President Webster.

With the signing of this agreement, FSIS presented FEW with a \$10,000 donation to be used toward FEW's Collegiate Scholarship Program.

About FEW: Federally Employed Women is a private, non-profit organization founded in 1968 after Executive Order 11375 was issued that added sex to the forms of prohibited discrimination in the federal government. FEW has grown into a national organization serving over one million federally employed women—both in the military and civilian workforce. FEW's many accomplishments and activities have impacted the federal workplace and contributed to the improved working conditions for all. For more information about FEW, visit www.few.org

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