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VETERAN COX EXECUTIVE MAE DOUGLAS TO RECEIVE THE FRIEND OF NAMIC AWARD

Douglas To Be Honored At The NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast Set For June 16th As Part Of Cable Connection - Spring

NEW YORK, NY – May 17, 2011 -- The **National Association for Multi-ethnicity in Communications (NAMIC)**, today named **Mae A. Douglas**, executive vice president and chief people officer, Cox Communications, the recipient of the **Friend of NAMIC Award**. Douglas will be honored as part of the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast. Scheduled for Thursday, June 16, 2011, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (CT) at McCormick Place Convention Center in Chicago, the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast is held as part of *Cable Connection – Spring*.

“Mae Douglas has been an invaluable supporter of NAMIC,” said Kathy Johnson, president, NAMIC. “We are proud to honor such a distinguished advocate of diversity, whose leadership has greatly contributed to the advancement of our mission.”

The association confers the Friend of NAMIC Award upon individuals or companies that have demonstrated a resolute commitment to advancing the cause and ideals of NAMIC. A longstanding champion of diversity and inclusion, Douglas has served as vice chair of the NAMIC Board of Directors and as a planning committee co-chair for the Annual NAMIC Conference. Under her leadership, Cox Communications has received recognition for its people practices from major industry organizations and media partners such as Women in Cable and Telecommunications (WICT) and Working Mother Media as Best Operator For Women each year from 2003 – 2010 for pay equity, advancement and resources for employees; *DiversityInc* Top 50 companies for Diversity and Inclusion from 2006 to 2010; and CTHRA (Cable Television Human Resources Association) Excellence Award in 2008. Additionally, Douglas has garnered many individual accolades including being named among *CableFAX: The Magazine’s* Most Influential Minorities in Cable from 2004-2006, and 2008-2010.

“My relationship with the NAMIC board has spanned nearly 10 years,” says Douglas. “Much of Cox’s success in the diversity arena can be attributed to the amazing partnership and relationships we’ve created with NAMIC.”

Audience Strategy, Fox Group is the presenting sponsor of the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast. Additional event sponsors confirmed to date include the **NCTA, Univision, Comcast, Suddenlink, A&E Television Networks, Motorola, Ensequence** and **Scripps Networks Interactive**. **Mediacom** and **NBCUniversal** are also supporters of the event.

For more information regarding the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast, visit www.namic.com or contact Sandra Girado, director of Meetings and Events, NAMIC at 212-594-5985. Inquiries pertaining to sponsorship and ticket/table purchases should be directed to Daniel J. McGlone, vice president of Membership and Fund Development, NAMIC, 212-594-5985.

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ABOUT NAMIC

NAMIC (National Association for Multi-ethnicity in Communications) is the premier organization focusing on multi-ethnic diversity in the communications industry. Founded in 1980 as a non-profit trade association, today NAMIC comprises over 2,200 professionals belonging to a network of 16 chapters nationwide. Through initiatives that focus on education, advocacy and empowerment, NAMIC champions equity and inclusion in the workforce, with special attention given to ensuring that the leadership cadres of our nation's communications industry giants reflect the multi-ethnic richness of the populations they serve. For more information, please visit www.namic.com and stay connected to NAMIC on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and DiversityLive: The Business > Social NAMIC Network.

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