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## Latest Stop in New Jersey's Fastest Growing Business Tour

Trenton, NJ - Continuing her tour of New Jersey's fastest growing businesses to acknowledge the significant role these companies play in the New Jersey Comeback, Acting Governor Kim Guadagno today toured DIVERSANT, the largest African American owned IT staffing and solutions firm in the United States, with nearly \$100 million in revenue.

"It is a pleasure to tour a company that is dedicated to professional excellence, diversity, business growth and success in New Jersey," said Acting Governor Guadagno. "The New Jersey Comeback is taking place in large part because of businesses like DIVERSANT, that have a long-term commitment to and partnership with our state."

DIVERSANT was named on the Inc. 500/5000 list of the fastest growing private companies in America for the last three years. Founded in 2005, DIVERSANT has 600 consultants working in 35 states, with offices in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Illinois. DIVERSANT is a fully-certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) provider, dedicated to the promotion of diversity in the supply chain and throughout the workplace.

"As a lifetime New Jersey resident, I am excited to host Acting Governor Guadagno at DIVERSANT's headquarters in Red Bank. DIVERSANT has grown to a \$100M business here in New Jersey and we are committed to being a responsible corporate citizen with a continued focus on job creation, community outreach and engagement with our political leadership. We look forward to continuing to expand our footprint in New Jersey and nationwide," said DIVERSANT CEO Gene Waddy.

During the Christie Administration's first two years, New Jersey added more than 84,000 new private sector jobs and attracted scores of companies. In fact, 2011 was the best private sector job growth year in New Jersey since 2000, according to Rutgers University economist Joseph Seneca.

Led by Lt. Governor Guadagno, the Partnership For Action (PFA) supports the vital role business plays in advancing the state's economy and creating jobs. The PFA is a three-pronged public-private approach to economic development and the starting point for all initiatives, policies, and efforts to grow New Jersey's economy and create quality, sustainable jobs in our communities. The three elements of the PFA include the Business Action Center reporting directly to the Lt. Governor and providing the business community with a single point of contact, applying a proactive, customer-service approach to businesses' interactions with State government; the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, serving as the state's "bank for business;" and Choose New Jersey, an independently funded and operated 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation created to encourage and nurture economic growth throughout New Jersey.

Businesses considering a move or in need of assistance are encouraged to call New Jersey's Business Action Center at (866) 534-7789 or visit the State's Business Portal at www.newjerseybusiness.gov.

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