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PRINTING INDUSTRY HONORS PUBLIC PRINTER

WASHINGTON— The Printing Industries Alliance (PIA) honors Public Printer Robert C. Tapella with its “Industry Recognition Award” for his service to the nation and printing industry. The presentation took place at PIA’s Franklin Event in New York City. The event is a 50 year tradition of bringing together more than 500 CEOs and executives from the printing, advertising, publishing and graphic arts industries, and recognizing those who have made a difference. Several employees from GPO’s plant and security and intelligent document business units attended the event.

Tapella is credited for being part of the team that transformed the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) into a profitable digital information operation. He is one of the architect’s of the agency’s *A Strategic Vision for the 21st Century*, which outlined GPO’s transformation. During his first year as Public Printer, Tapella has set an ambitious agenda of sustainable environmental stewardship for GPO and the printing industry.

“It is an honor to be recognized by my colleagues in the printing industry for the work GPO does for our country,” said Robert C. Tapella. “I accept this award on behalf of GPO employees, who have contributed to the transformation of the agency and work around the clock in keeping America informed on the documents of its democracy. I look forward to showing how GPO can be good stewards of our resources through the goals we set out through sustainable environmental stewardship.”

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The Printing Industries Alliance, serving Graphic Communications Firms in New York State, Northern New Jersey and Northwestern Pennsylvania, is committed to promoting the value of graphic communications and increasing the profitability of member firms. Formerly PIA of New York State, the organization’s name has been changed to reflect its new trade territory, the diversity of the industry and the economic strength that is represented in its constituency.

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