## A **GEM** Award

## Going the Extra Mile

## A Gift Card Recognition Program

Who may receive?	All Headquarters Department of Energy Employees except Political Appointees (including Schedule C and non-career members of the SES). Any Employee may nominate.
What is it?	\$25 or \$50 Gift Cards from 100s of nationally well known Department Stores, Book Stores, Movie Tickets, Restaurants, Hotels and more.
How do I do it?	<ul> <li>Nominator fills out form.</li> <li>Routes form through their organizational protocols.</li> <li>Faxes or scans/emails to HQ Gift Card.</li> <li>HQ Gift Card receives form, places order</li> <li>Gift Certificate is sent to Recipient's Supervisor</li> <li>Supervisor presents certificate to employee</li> <li>Employee can redeem On-line or by phone for card of their choice</li> </ul>
When can I do this?	HQ Gift Card is open for business now
Where?	CFO is administrating the program. Contact  HQGiftcard@HQ.DOE.GOV or  FAX 3-5202  View what the GEM employee will see at:  http://giftcards.giftcertificates.com  See Award details and procedures at:  http://www.cfo.doe.gov/crorg/cf11prodserv.htm
What else?	CFO will charge certificate costs (including company processing fee \$2.00 to \$3.00) against organization's "Other personnel compensation" object class.  GEMs are subject to income taxes and withholdings (about \$3.70 for \$25.00).  GEMs can be used for group awards.  GEMs can be given multiple times but cannot exceed \$125.00 per calendar year, per employee.  Gift Card material provides delineation of effort between \$25 and \$50.  Subordinates cannot give GEMs to their Supervisors, relatives and other conflict of interest relationships covered on the Nomination Form.