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## **Prunima Dixit of Staten Island Honored by NYWEA**

**Syracuse --** The New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA), a statewide organization of water quality management professionals, honored Prunima Dixit of Staten Island, NY with the 2007 Laboratory Analyst Excellence Award at its 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held in New York City in February. The award recognizes outstanding performance and contributions to the water quality analysis profession.

Dixit has been employed with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection for 23 years, becoming chief of Laboratory Services of the Bureau of Wastewater Treatment. She manages five process control labs with 37 chemists for NYCDEP's 14 wastewater treatment plants. She has been instrumental in assisting with plant upgrades, and instituting the procedures and training to ensure national lab certification. She holds an MA in chemistry from the Indian Institute of Technology and is a certified Grade 4 Lab Analyst. Dixit is a 10-year member of NYWEA's Metropolitan Chapter and volunteers to judge laboratory events in its Operators' Challenges. She and husband, Kashyap Dixit, have two daughters and live in Staten Island.

**NYWEA is a statewide, nonprofit organization of 2,300 environmental engineers and water quality management professionals that promotes clean water programs and related technical and public education. It also sponsors a scholarship program to encourage careers in science and engineering and supports humanitarian assistance to provide clean water. Headquartered in Syracuse, NY, the NYWEA has seven regional chapters, 12 college student chapters and is a Member Association of the international Water Environment Federation (WEF).**

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