



SKOOKUM **For Immediate Release:**

Skookum, a large non-profit corporation providing jobs for People with Disabilities, announced today the appointment of Jeff Dolven as the company's Chief Executive Officer, effective November 19th, 2008.

Skookum employs over 250 people at Ft. Lewis WA and over 240 people at PSNS, Bangor/Keyport and the Bremerton Naval Hospital. "As Skookum looks forward to an exciting new growth phase, I'm extremely pleased to be handing over the Skookum reigns to our current President, Jeff Dolven. His experience in successfully performing on and starting up new Government Contracts will be highly leveraged by Skookum in the years to come," says retiring Skookum Founder and CEO, Jim Westall.

Mr. Dolven, a licensed Professional Engineer, has extensive experience managing the delivery of facilities maintenance and logistics services both in the non-profit sector and for the military as a U.S. Navy Civil Engineer Corps officer. As Skookum's President, he has led over 550 employees working on 8 major military installations delivering a variety of services, including vehicle maintenance, janitorial services, warehousing and distribution, grounds maintenance, food service and facilities maintenance. Since 2004 Mr. Dolven has led the successful capture and start-up of new business which has created over 100 fulltime jobs for people with severe disabilities and has led Skookum's effort to expand into two new business lines.

As a Naval Officer, Mr. Dolven served as the senior contracting officer for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, where he oversaw construction and facility maintenance contracts and was a warranted contracting officer and member of the Department of Defense Acquisition Professional Community.

About Skookum:

Skookum creates jobs for people with disabilities. Since 1988, we have helped people with all types of disabilities join the workforce by providing critical services to business and government. Skookum is a member of the AbilityOne Network.

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