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## Gateway Energy named MS Society Rookie of the Year

MONTEBELLO, N.Y. - Gateway Energy Services Corporation has been named Rookie Team of the Year by the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

The company was a corporate sponsor of Walk MS on Saturday, May 22, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Team Gateway raised \$6,246 with company-sponsored events, from a bake sale and chili cookoff to Jeans Fridays and kickball. Individual employees also contributed by raising their own money to add to the team. Gateway fielded a combined team from the offices in Forty Fort, Pa., and Montebello, N.Y., which participated in the 3.5-mile walk at Martz Amphitheater in Kirby Park and staffed an informational booth.

"Gateway received the Rookie Team of the Year award for Walk MS 2010 across all of our 12 walk sites because the company was a brand new team who set an aggressive fundraising goal and achieved great success," said Senior Campaign Manager Danielle Wertz. "Our chapter was really blown away by Gateway's commitment to the cause, as well as how driven everyone from the team was to reach its goal. From the very beginning, the company's guys and gals were ramped up to get started with various fundraising activities, and I think that really says a lot about the team and Gateway."

Gateway was honored at the Central Pennsylvania Chapter's annual awards meeting and recognition celebration held Wednesday, October 27, at the Hershey Country Club in Hershey.

"Gateway became a member of the Pennsylvania community at the beginning of this year when we opened a satellite call center in Forty Fort," said Steve Maslak, President and CEO. "We are committed to giving back to the communities in which we live and work. I am proud that we were able to begin a relationship with the National MS Society Central Pennsylvania Chapter and I am especially proud of achieving Rookie of the Year honors. This is the perfect way to begin what Gateway expects will be a strong partnership."

Gateway Energy's philanthropy extends to the American Heart Association, which has bestowed Fit-Friendly Company Gold Status. Gateway has raised thousands of dollars since 2008 for the AHA. Gateway also supports the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, raising thousands of dollars since 2004 and attending its signature Light The Night event near its corporate headquarters. This spring, Gateway added the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, raising thousands of dollars for and attending the Central Pennsylvania Chapter's walk in



Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in support of an employee who was diagnosed with MS earlier this year. The company has also made donations to the AmeriCares' Haiti Emergency Relief Fund, and provided in-kind services and supported volunteerism among its employees, who have devoted time and expertise to many local organizations.

In all, Gateway has raised more than \$22,000 this year for charitable organizations.

## **About Gateway Energy Services**

Gateway Energy Services Corporation, based in Montebello, Rockland County, N.Y., is one of the largest independent retail energy suppliers in North America, providing natural gas and electricity to residential and business customers in New York, New Jersey, Texas, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia and Ontario. Canada. Founded in 1997, Gateway Energy provides competitive energy products to consumers giving them more control over their energy costs. (Visit us online at www.gesc.com and follow us on Facebook at Gateway Energy Services and Twitter at http://twitter.com/GESCcom.)

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