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### **SIX SIGMA CONSULTANTS AWARDED KEY BHP BILLITON CONTRACT**

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Albuquerque, N.M., May 1, 2003 – Six Sigma Consultants, Inc. ([www.sixsigmaco.com](http://www.sixsigmaco.com)) announces its successful bid to implement a new Six Sigma program for BHP Billiton, the world's largest diversified resources company. A multibillion-dollar company, BHP Billiton employs 38,000 people in 20 countries. Contracted specifically to accelerate significant financial results within six months for BHP Billiton's Base Metals division, Six Sigma Consultants (SSC) prevailed in a highly competitive and rigorous selection process that included bids by leading Six Sigma companies.

SSC's charter to achieve positive financial outcomes first and then transfer the knowledge gained to BHP Billiton is a pioneering departure from the standard Six Sigma model of conducting training and then applying techniques to effect change. SSC's unique approach is designed to expedite the Base Metals division's ability to pursue and capture positive change.

Being selected to meet this extraordinary challenge was the result of an exacting process that first invited 10 major Six Sigma practitioners to benchmark their capabilities, and then conducted a second round in which only three were asked to tender. Of those, SSC was chosen. As Greg Brue, company president remarks, *"The selection process and criteria used for awarding the contract fundamentally challenged each participant's own Six Sigma capabilities... we are excited and honored about this win, as well as about working with BHP Billiton, a truly world-class company."*

As the contract gets under way, SSC is well positioned to help BHP Billiton's Base Metals division succeed in its quest to secure considerable, measurable financial results.

#### **About Sigma Consultants, Inc. (SSC)**

Six Sigma Consultants, Inc. has implemented Six Sigma programs worldwide for nearly a decade. The company's mission is to assist companies achieve substantial financial results, increase customer satisfaction and sustain those gains through knowledge transfer.

Company President and CEO Greg Brue was one of the first consultants to implement a global Six Sigma deployment at AlliedSignal, now Honeywell International, in 1994 as well as the world renowned GE Six Sigma deployment under the Jack Welch era. Since then, he and his Six Sigma zealot team have implemented numerous programs for diverse world-class organizations. Greg is also the author of three books including his latest *Design for Six Sigma* published by McGraw-Hill.

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