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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BECK AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP

CHARLESTON -- Melissa Beck, daughter of Roger and Debby Beck of Rockford, has been awarded the Association for Women in Communications (AWC) Scholarship award from the Springfield Chapter of the AWC.

The award is given annually to one outstanding AWC student member in the central Illinois area. After a stiff competition, Beck was chosen because of her involvement and accomplishments at Eastern. She is the director of the Agency, a student-run public relations firm at Eastern and a member of the Public Relations Student Society of America and Society for Collegiate Journalists. She also is a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha service sorority and the Journalism Student Advisory Committee.

She is the classified advertising manager for the *Daily Eastern News* and a public relations assistant for the College of Arts and Humanities and Women's Advisory Council.

Beck is a 1994 graduate of Auburn High School in Rockford and a senior journalism major at Eastern.