



Presidential "E" Awards

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Congratulations

to the 2010 "E" and "E Star" Award Winners!

The President's "E" Award for Exports is awarded to firms or organizations that have made significant contributions to increasing American exports.

The Bode Technology Group, Inc., Lorton, VA
Provider of DNA testing technology.
Barry Watson, President/CEO;
Ed Huffine, Vice President of International Development

CECA Supply & Services, Inc., Houston, TX
Distributor of oil and gas equipment and replacement parts.
Maier Tourma, President;
Rami Tourma, Vice President

Daavlin Distributing Company, Bryan, OH
Manufacturer of phototherapeutic medical devices used to treat severe forms of skin diseases.
David W. Swanson, President/CEO;
Sandrine Woolace, Vice President of International Operations

DemeTech Corporation, Miami, FL
Manufacturer of surgical sutures.
Luis Arguello, Sr., CEO;
Luis Arguello, Jr., Vice President of Marketing

EquipXp, L.C., Houston, TX
Exporter of equipment for the oil and gas industries.
Vernon Darko, President;
Vanessa Darko, CEO

Matthews Studio Equipment, Inc., Burbank, CA
Manufacturer of hardware and lighting control devices for the motion picture and television production industries.
Ed Phillips, President/CEO;
Robert E. Kulesh, Vice President of Sales

Natural Organics, Inc., Melville, NY
Manufacturer of nutritional supplements.
Lee Albert Busch, Director of International Business Development;
Suzanne Nicola Tenn, Director of Export

Oil Center Research International, LLC, Lafayette, LA
Distributor of industrial lubricants and sealants.
Brenda A. Stelly, President;
Joyce H. Roberts, Senior Account Manager

Otis Spunkmeyer, Inc., San Leandro, CA
Manufacturer of frozen gourmet cookie dough, ready-baked muffins, and other bakery products.
Steve Mills, Vice President of Logistics;
Phil Saracin, Director of Distribution Operations

Pharmaceutical Trade Services, Inc., Ocean Springs, MS
Exporter of named patient medicines
Teri Gautier, President/CEO;
Laura McLeod, Controller

Polyguard Products, Inc., Ennis, TX
Manufacturer of coatings to protect buildings, roads, and pipelines.
Nathan Muncaster, Global Business Development Director;
Shawn Eastham, Vice President of Corrosion Products Group

ProStuff LLC, Rockford, IL

Manufacturer of BMX and mountain bike race gates and race gate accessories.

*Pierce Barker III, President;
Edmund Doherty, Jr., Vice President*

Quantum Design, Inc., San Diego, CA

Manufacturer of scientific instrumentation based on superconductor technology

*Gerald D. Daviess, President;
David M. Schultz, CFO*

RAD-CON, Inc., Cleveland, OH

Capital equipment company which provides furnaces for processing steel

*Christopher J. Messina, Vice President of Sales and Projects,
Michael W. McDonald, Vice President of Operations*

Slade, Inc., Statesville, NC

Manufacturer of components and devices to seal industrial fluids and gases.

*Ward A. Crosier, President;
Gregory W. Raty, Vice President*

Vita-Mix Corporation, Cleveland, OH

Manufacturer of high performance blending equipment for home and commercial use

*Jodi L. Berg, President;
Anthony M. Ciepiel, Vice President of Sales and Marketing*

WCCO Belting, Inc., Wahpeton, ND

Manufacturer of custom-engineered conveyor belting products used in the agricultural industry.

*Thomas D. Shorma, President/CEO;
Julie Shorma*

The President's "E" Award for Export Service is awarded to organizations that assist or facilitate export efforts through either financing, transportation, market promotion, or other such services.

Sacramento Regional Center for International Trade Development, Sacramento, CA

State provider of international trade services for northern California companies.

*Hon. Katherine Albiani, Chair, Board of Trustees,
Los Rios Community College District;
Brooks D. Ohlson, Director, Sacramento Regional Center for International Trade Development*

Saint Vincent College, Small Business Development Center, Center for Global Competitiveness, Latrobe, PA

Provider of specialized international trade assistance to businesses.

*James Kunkel, Executive Director;
Victoria Gyenes, Senior Market Analyst*

The President's "E Star" Award is awarded for continued superior performance in increasing or promoting exports. Only previous recipients of the "E" Award are eligible.

Nationwide Equipment Company, Jacksonville, FL

Supplier of heavy construction equipment.

Ed Kostenski, President/CEO;

Suzanne Kostenski, COO

NOW Health, Inc., Bloomingdale, IL

Manufacturer of vitamins, herbs, supplements, personal health care items, and health foods.

Al Powers, CEO;

Philip A. Pittsford I, International Sales Manager

Sauereisen, Pittsburgh, PA

Manufacturer of chemical resistant linings and ceramic assembly compounds for the wastewater, power, and chemical industries

Eric Sauereisen, President;

Karl Sauereisen, Vice President



The "E" and "E Star" Awards are the highest recognition any U.S. entity may receive for supporting export activity. Companies are nominated through their local Department of Commerce office. The President's "E" Award was created by executive order in 1961 to encourage U.S. companies to sell their products abroad.

The "E Star" Award was authorized by the Secretary of Commerce in 1969.