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Sussex Company Wins
2011 Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year Award
Waukesha Metal Products wins Small Category Grand Award

Milwaukee – Waukesha Metal Products was one of eight Wisconsin companies awarded a prestigious Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year Award. The winners were announced Thursday night at a black tie banquet honoring the 52 nominees.

Waukesha Metal Products, of Sussex, is an international full service provider of metalforming services including custom metal stamping, sheet metal fabrications, and in-house precision tooling. During the 2009 recession, Waukesha Metal Products maintained a strong balance sheet and agile business model. The company acquired Parkview Metal Products, Inc., of Illinois, and strategically positioned itself as a world-class metalforming supplier serving a diversified customer base. Fifty percent of the products manufactured by Waukesha Metal Products are exported to 34 different countries around the world.

In 2011, Waukesha Metal Products acquired Metal Skills Plus, LLC of De Forest, a sheet metal fabricator whose business will be folded into their Grafton fabrication operation. Waukesha Metal Products has experienced tremendous growth over the past few years due to solid customer relationships, quality of service, on-time delivery, best cost competitiveness and opportunistic acquisitions.

Celebrating its 24th year, the MOTY program recognizes manufacturers of all sizes and industries for their contributions to the great state of Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year award winners were selected by an independent panel of judges representing industry, education, and the public sector.

The accounting and advisory firm of Baker Tilly, the law firm of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, and the business association Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce sponsor the MOTY awards program. Additional information can be found online at www.wimoty.com or by calling (800) 362-7301.

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The 2011 winners are:

Grand Awards

Generac Holdings, Inc., Waukesha - Mega Category

Bell Laboratories, Inc., Madison - Large Category

Edstrom Industries, Inc., Waterford - Medium Category

Waukesha Metal Products, Sussex - Small Category

Linetec, Wausau - Sustainability Category

Special Awards

Cambridge Major Laboratories, Inc., Germantown - Investing Locally, Growing Globally Award

KHS USA, Inc., Waukesha - Educational Stewardship Award

Power Test Incorporated, Sussex - Operational Excellence & Community Support Award

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Contact Katy Pettersen, (608) 516-6684, after 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 24 for winner quotes and event photos.

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