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Sussex Company Wins
2011 Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year Award

Power Test Inc wins Special Award for Operational Excellence and Community Support

Milwaukee – Power Test Incorporated 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.

Power Test, Inc. is a global leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of dynamometers, heavy equipment testing systems and related data acquisition and control systems. For 35 years, Power Test has marketed products to manufacturers, rebuilding facilities, and distributors in the mining, power generation, marine, trucking, construction, and government markets in over 80 countries. Power Test's headquarters and manufacturing operations are located in Sussex, employing 60 dedicated professionals

The company is working to create a new base of employees for the future through cross training existing manufacturing employees, sending high potential manufacturing employees through the Wisconsin Apprenticeship program, working with local high schools to better train students for careers in manufacturing, hiring new employees to increase capability in many areas, and creating an award winning Wellness Program to improve employee's quality of life and reduce healthcare costs. Not only does Power Test care for its employees, it also cares for its community. They have given monetary donations to over 30 charitable organizations, donated food harvested from the Power Test garden to local food banks, created the Destination Donation team of endurance athletes to generate awareness of the need for organ, tissue, and eye donation, and sent food to Tanzania as part of the Simple Hope program.

Power Test was nominated by Dr. Kathleen Cooke, Superintendent and Pete Ferge, Associate Principal and Extended Learning Opportunities Coordinator, of Hamilton School District.

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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.

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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