

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce: Announces finalists for Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year Awards

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MADISON – Twenty-six Wisconsin manufacturers have been selected as finalists for the 33rd Annual Manufacturer of the Year (MOTY) Awards.

The finalists showcase the strength and vibrancy of the manufacturing sector that sustains high-wage, family-supporting careers. Manufacturing is the backbone of Wisconsin, contributing over \$63 billion to the state's economy – nearly 20 percent of the state's Gross Domestic Product – and employing about 480,000 people.

The MOTY program recognizes the state's top manufacturers of all sectors and sizes for their commitment to quality careers, good business practices, financial growth, innovative processes and reinvestment into local communities.

Grand Award winners will be selected in four categories based on company size.

The 33rd Annual Manufacturer of the Year Award finalists are:

Small Category (1-99 employees)

- Centrifuge-Systems, LLC – Kenosha
- Colby Metal, Inc. – Colby
- Federal Tool & Engineering LLC – West Bend
- Industrial Nameplate, Inc. D.B.A. STRYKER – Appleton
- Wisconsin Lightning Lab, Inc. – Fond du Lac

Medium Category (100-249 employees)

- ASYST Technologies LLC – Kenosha
- Minnesota Wire – Eau Claire
- Muza Sheet Metal Co – Oshkosh
- Octopi Brewing LLC – Waunakee

- Orion Energy Systems - Manitowoc
- Red Line Plastics LLC - Manitowoc
- Winsert Inc. - Marinette

Large Category (250-499 employees)

- Appvion, LLC - Appleton
- Custom Fabricating & Repair, Inc. - Marshfield
- Empire Screen Printing, Inc - Onalaska
- MGS Mfg. Group Inc. - Germantown
- Modine Manufacturing Company - Racine
- Teel Plastics, Inc - Baraboo

Mega Category (500+ employees)

- Amcor Flexibles North America - Oshkosh
- Brakebush Brothers Inc. - Westfield
- Eaton Corporation - Menomonee Falls
- ETE Reman - Milwaukee
- Green Bay Packaging Inc. - Green Bay
- Hydrite Chemical Co - Brookfield
- Kapco Inc. - Grafton
- Mercury Marine - Fond du Lac

Baker Tilly, Michael Best & Friedrich LLP and Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce sponsor the annual MOTY awards program. These partners will celebrate the finalists and reveal the winners on May 19 at the Pfister Hotel in Milwaukee. Additional information can be found online at www.wimoty.com.