

NMA Celebrates Manufacturing Month with Member Awards

Northumberland, ON - (October 5, 2016) – The Northumberland Manufacturers' Association (NMA) started October Manufacturing month celebrations in Colborne at Hoselton Studio and by presenting annual Member Awards designed and produced by the Hoselton team.

In addition to the second annual Investing in Employee Development award presented in partnership with Fleming College, the NMA presented the first annual awards for High Performance Manufacturing and Environmental/Health & Safety. The criteria for each of the awards is posted online at www.thenma.ca/awards.

Dan Ross, NMA President stated, "We are very proud of our members, they are innovative leaders and drive efficiencies throughout all aspects of their businesses. The awards recognize and celebrate local manufacturing by showcasing member contributions towards continuous improvement, the environment, health & safety and workforce development. We are pleased to recognize deserving recipients with awards designed and manufactured in Northumberland by fellow NMA member, Hoselton Studio."

The first annual High Performance Manufacturing (HPM) award was presented to CpK Interior Products Inc. CpK was selected for their leadership, investment and commitment to continuous improvement, incorporating it as an integral part of their operations. With an established training plan for employee training the company also encourages employee input to improve plant performance. An active HPM Focus Group member, CPK is looked to as a resource and shares best practices with fellow NMA members.

The first annual Environmental/Health & Safety (EHS) award was presented to CHEM-ECOL Ltd., an active EHS Focus Group member for demonstrating a commitment to the environment and health and safety in the workplace. The manufacturing process of recycling oil is in part evidence of their commitment to the environment. Accident free for over eight (8) years is the collective effort of their team who work to achieve high standards of health and safety as a core value within the company.

The Investing in Employee Development award was presented to Canadian Wear Technologies Ltd. an active NMA member. Canadian Wear Technologies was selected for supporting their employee participation in the Fleming College manufacturing operations certificate and leadership training programs in addition to educational workshops and training events facilitated by the NMA.

Deborah Clifford, Fleming College said "It is exciting to participate in the ongoing skills development of the manufacturing sector workforce in Northumberland County. Congratulations to Canadian Wear Technologies for recognizing the value of this kind of investment. We appreciate the confidence you have placed in us as a training partner."

For more information contact:

Dan Ross, President Northumberland Manufacturers' Association T: 905-372-8315 ext. 241

About the NMA

The Northumberland Manufacturers' Association (NMA) actively represents manufacturers in Northumberland County. The purpose of the NMA is to promote continuous improvement, innovation, high performance and productivity enhancements through collaboration, education and advocacy.

The NMA works to achieve its goals through strategic partnerships with industry associations, government, and stakeholders such as the Northumberland CFDC, and local economic development offices, universities, colleges and training centres.

The NMA strives to deliver value added programs such as workshops, Strategic Focus Groups and a Member Benefits Program. The NMA leads an annual Regional Manufacturing Conference on behalf of Tri-Association partners, Quinte and Kawartha manufacturers. The historically sold out annual November conference provides high quality, valuable training and timely information locally, negating the need for travel to larger city centers. The NMA also partners in the delivery of value added programs in support of local manufacturing. Visit www.thenma.ca to learn more.

About the Award Recipients

Canadian Wear Technologies Ltd., recipient of the Investing in Employee Development award, are specialists in wear protection for material handling systems producing a wide range of products and custom engineered wear solutions for several industries, including mining, steel, cement, aggregate, power generation and original equipment manufacturers.

For more visit: www.canadianweartech.com

Chem-Ecol Ltd., recipient of the Environmental/Health & Safety award, is a specialty blender of new and re-claimed industrial oils and lubricants. The firm develops and produces specialty oils to client specifications and offers an exclusive reclamation process.

For more visit: www.chem-ecol.com

CpK Interior Products Inc., recipient of the High Performance Manufacturing award, produces automotive interior trim for local and international distribution to the automotive industry. As a tier two supplier they provide instrument panels, door panels, consoles and Class A injected moulded components to their customer Fiat Chrysler Automobiles.

For more visit: www.cpkip.ca

About Fleming College Cobourg Campus

Fleming College, also known as Sir Sandford Fleming College, is a College of Applied Arts and Technology in Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. The College has more than 6,000 full-time and 10,000 part-time students and 65,000 alumni. Fleming's Cobourg Campus (established in 1971) offers customized training tailored to organizational needs. From short workshops to extensive programs and certification, on location or on campus, expert trainers provide real-world expertise and an effective, interactive, enjoyable learning environment.