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## **CME-Alberta announces 2010 Alberta Export Awards Finalists and Leadership Recipient**

EDMONTON – The Alberta division of Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME-Alberta) today announced the Finalists for the second annual Alberta Export Awards.

“We are pleased to announce the finalists in all categories of the Alberta Export Awards,” said Brian McCready, Vice -President, CME-Alberta. “These exporting companies were selected from an excellent group of applications for this year’s award. They have been challenging our established, emerging and developing sectors at every level; they have demonstrated exceptional leadership capabilities and have played a significant role in exporting from our province.”

Finalists were selected in seven categories including:

**Consumer Products:** Chariot Carriers Inc., Honey Bunny Inc.

**New Exporter:** Care Industries Ltd., Optilume Engineered Light Corporation, Strata Health Solutions Inc.

**Sustainability:** DIRT Environmental Solutions, Nemalux LED Lighting, Pure Technologies

**Professional & Services:** Alta Exports International Ltd., Christie Communications Ltd., Petro Staff International, a Jobs on Earth Company

**Advancing Technologies:** Hemisphere GPS, NovAtel Inc., Tenet Medical Engineering Inc.

**Manufacturing – Other:** Meggitt Training Systems Canada, Precision Mounting Technologies, Standen’s Limited

**Manufacturing – Oil & Gas:** Born Heaters Canada ULC, GenTex™ Oilfield Manufacturing Inc., Master Flo Valve Inc.

**Leadership Award:** Paul Drager, of MacLeod Dixon LLP.

Award winners in each category, along with the prestigious Exporter of the Year recipient, will be honoured as Alberta’s top exporters by CME-Alberta, provincial government officials and leaders from the export community at the Alberta Export Awards Gala luncheon. The luncheon will be held at 11:45 a.m. at the Westin Calgary on November 26, 2010. The public is invited to join the excitement around global exporting and celebrate the accomplishments of those individuals and companies in the province who have successfully marketed their product or service internationally.

2009 Leadership Award Winner, Doug McNeill, Executive Vice President Business Development, Stream-Flo Industries Ltd. explains, “The Alberta Export Leadership Award, was validation of my contribution to the various Trade Associations, local Chamber of Commerce and Federal & Provincial Government committee efforts to promote our Canadian products and expertise. This award highlighted to my peers, colleagues, and company ownership that my time and effort was and is appreciated.”

For more information about the Alberta Export Awards or to purchase tickets for the luncheon, visit [www.albertaexportawards.com](http://www.albertaexportawards.com).

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Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME) is Canada’s largest trade and industry association. CME promotes the continuous improvement of Canadian manufacturing and exporting through engagement of government at all levels. Its mandate is to promote the competitiveness of Canadian manufacturers and enable the success of Canadian goods and services exporters in markets around the world.