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The Rockford Chamber of Commerce 2019 Manufacturer of the Year Award

Nomination Process

The Rockford Chamber of Commerce Manufacturer of the Year Award is presented annually to recognize an outstanding manufacturing company that has used technology to remain competitive and grow. Candidates must be members of the Rockford Chamber of Commerce, and may be self-nominated if desired. The award will be presented at the Chamber's Celebration of Manufacturing Expo & Dinner scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 2019 at Cliffbreakers Event & Conference Center.

All entries should include:

- 1) A written submission that addresses the three key criteria detailed below.
- 2) Include any additional information you believe is significant, relevant and supports the nominee (letters of support are welcomed).

Key Criteria

- 1. **Growth** List the accomplishments that contributed to above average growth.
- **2. Innovation** List the accomplishments that contributed to innovation in your marketplace, including new products or services.
- **3. Productivity** List the facility's accomplishments that contributed to above average results. Explain the tools which were used and the end results.

The Judging Process

The entry and judging process are carefully designed to capture the personal insights, ideas, experiences and achievements responsible for the success of each individual entrant.

As with any prestigious and highly respected awards program, the judging process is rigorous and thorough, with a panel of eminent business people evaluating each entrant on the three key criteria.

The Judging Criteria

Leadership Teamwork Innovation and Creativity

Please return submission by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 15, 2019 to: nominations@rockfordchamber.com or

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