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Applications open for EDC's 2012 industry awards

Albany, Ga. – Nominations have opened for the Albany-Dougherty Economic Development Commission's Albany-Dougherty Industry Celebration Week Awards. Industry week, now in its third year, is a weeklong celebration of the community's existing industries.

The EDC recognizes industries in four categories: global commerce, economic impact, excellence in innovation and corporate community citizenship (Good Life City Award).

"Existing industries are critical to local economies, and in Albany-Dougherty County we're fortunate to have an industrial diversity that represents health care, defense, logistics, manufacturing and professional services," said Ted Clem, president of the Albany-Dougherty Economic Development Commission. "We're proud of our industries, and our weeklong Industry Celebration Week is a great way to recognize and promote their successes."

All industries in Albany-Dougherty County are eligible – and encouraged – to apply for the industry awards, which will be announced April 4 at the Rise N Shine breakfast.

Although Albany-Dougherty Industry Celebration Week is in its third year, the EDC has organized an industry awards program for many more years. The awards were restructured in 2010 in an effort to better evaluate local industries.

Details of the week's festivities will be released as the event nears. Please see the attached awards applications for details on each award category.

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ALBANY-DOUGHERTY INDUSTRY CELEBRATION WEEK
Economic Impact Award Nomination/Application
(Application due March 9, 2012)

Companies may apply to more than one award category.

Manufacturer: _____

Companies must meet a minimum requirement of having been in business for three (3) years

Type of Production: _____

President/CEO/Plant Manager (on site): _____ Title: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Contact person (if different from above): _____ Title: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Web Address: _____

Is business a member of Albany Area Chamber of Commerce? _____

Attach any relevant forms, if applicable/available

Economic Impact

Businesses should demonstrate economic growth by submitting the below information in writing:

- The number of years in operation at this location
- Economic impact of company on community and/or surrounding area
- Describe any expansions that have occurred within the past three (3) years (number of jobs, capital investment, etc.)
- Increase in sales
- Any other forms of growth

Nominated by: _____ Date: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please return by **March 9, 2012** to:

Albany-Dougherty Economic Development Commission
Attn: Bárbara Rivera Holmes
225 West Broad Avenue
Albany, GA 31701
(229) 434-0044
May e-mail completed application(s) to bholmes@choosealbany.com



ALBANY-DOUGHERTY INDUSTRY CELEBRATION WEEK
Global Commerce Award Nomination/Application
(Application due March 9, 2012)

Companies may apply to more than one award category.

Manufacturer: _____

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Type of Production: _____

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E-mail Address: _____

Contact person (if different from above): _____ Title: _____

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Global Commerce

Businesses should demonstrate global commerce by submitting the below information in writing:

- The company's primary market area(s)
- Global exports over the past three years
- Percentage of export sales as a percentage of total sales
- Have you utilized any federal/state export assistance programs or services from XM banks?

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ALBANY-DOUGHERTY INDUSTRY CELEBRATION WEEK
Good Life City Award Nomination/Application
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Type of Production: _____

President/CEO/Plant Manager (on site): _____ Title: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Contact person (if different from above): _____ Title: _____

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The Good Life City Award

Business should demonstrate corporate responsibility throughout initiatives such as:

- Community involvement programs (Literacy, Mentoring, Lily Pad, United Way, Graceway etc.)
- Company-invested volunteer (School Volunteers, Youth Outreach, Educational programs for domestic violence, poverty outreach etc.)
- Civic involvement programs (Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club etc.)
- Educational partnerships (i.e. in-kind cash, equipment donations, school volunteer projects, etc)

Please submit a brief summary of programs in which your industry actively participates in and list other community and/or industry awards that your business has received.

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Innovation Award Nomination/Application

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Excellence in Innovation

Businesses should demonstrate innovation by submitting in writing company programs that may include, but are not limited to:

- Work force excellence
- Breakthrough technology
- Innovate practices and procedures
- Clean energy programs
- Environmental improvements
- Company or industry awards that have been awarded for excellence

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