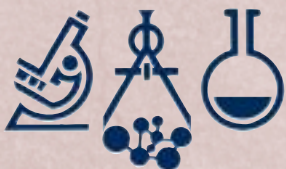




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# 2003 Industrial Partnership Awards

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Office of Energy Efficiency and  
Renewable Energy

**M**any of the nation's key industrial companies are actively engaged in the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) Industries of the Future strategy. These companies represent the most energy- and resource-intensive industries:

- agriculture
- forest products
- mining
- aluminum
- glass
- petroleum
- chemicals
- metal casting
- steel

They are at the forefront of developing and applying efficient technologies and energy management best practices.

Many companies have already realized significant energy and cost savings, increased productivity, and enhanced competitiveness. These successes benefit the company, U.S. industry, and the nation as a whole.

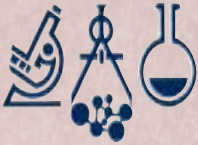
DOE recognizes industrial partners in a number of ways for R&D and energy efficiency achievements. In addition to publicizing successes in EERE publications, such as case studies, newsletters, and annual program reports, DOE offers national recognition through bi-annual awards to industrial partners.

DOE now invites nominations for outstanding Partner of the Year, Technology of the Year, and Plant of the Year.



## **Partner of the Year**

Partner of the Year recognizes an individual who exhibits extraordinary initiative and commitment to advancing the goals of Industry of the Future partnerships. Such an individual promotes and advances energy efficiency as a national goal beyond the needs of their organization or industry, and engages in innovative approaches to joint public-private partnerships.



## **Technology of the Year**

Technology of the Year is awarded to an EERE-supported technology that exhibits exceptional commercialization potential and significant potential for energy efficiency improvement, and economic or environmental benefits.



## **Plant of the Year**

Plant of the Year is based on documented energy savings, replication of emerging technologies, the plant's history of progressive efforts to reduce energy use, strategies for continuous improvement for energy efficiency, and use of a project implementation plan that includes funding commitments and ongoing validation of completed projects.

## Who Makes Nominations

The nominations are wide open—anyone may propose the name of a partner, a technology, or a plant for recognition (you may nominate yourself, your technology, or your plant) that participates in the Industries of the Future.

## How to Submit Nominations

To make a nomination, submit a one-page nomination form for each award category. Find the forms on the BestPractices Web site where they may be completed and submitted electronically (see [www.oit.doe.gov/bestpractices/awards.shtml](http://www.oit.doe.gov/bestpractices/awards.shtml)).

## Criteria for Nominations

The specific criteria for each award can be found on the BestPractices Web site at [www.oit.doe.gov/bestpractices/awards.shtml](http://www.oit.doe.gov/bestpractices/awards.shtml). In general, the nominations should include details on cross-industry application of technologies, energy savings realized, replication of technologies and practices across industry and within company facilities, and examples of how nominees are advancing the goals of the Industries of the Future partnerships including industrial energy efficiency.

## Deadline for Nominations

The official announcement of the awards competition for 2003 will be posted on the BestPractices Web site on May 10, 2002, following Customer Day. All nomination forms should be received by September 16, 2002.

## **Selection of Awardees**

Awardees will be determined through a multi-step process. Nominations will first be reviewed by one of two panels. The BestPractices Steering Committee will evaluate nominations for Technology of the Year and Plant of the Year awards. A panel representing DOE's Industrial Technologies staff will review nominations and select the Partner of the Year. The panels may request additional information from nominees.

## **Qualification Period**

Nominations are sought for activities occurring during the period between February 2001 and August 2002.

## **Award Announcements**

The winners of this year's awards will be announced at the Industrial Technologies Expo in February 2003, in Washington, DC.



## For More Information

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