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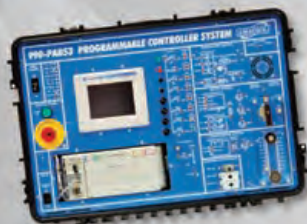
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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL NOMINEES



Ladies and Gentleman:

I would like to personally welcome you to the 2015 South Florida Manufacturers Association (SFMA) Recognition of Excellence Banquet. Tonight's Recognition of Excellence Awards Banquet is the SFMA's annual effort to highlight our South Florida manufacturers and their employees. This is only one of the benefits to members and our manufacturers that SFMA brings to the table, but it is one of the highlights of our active year supporting the manufacturing community.

Your association has been hard at work this year to build capability and add value to your membership. Our Quarterly social events have drawn large crowds, providing wonderful opportunities to network and compare notes with manufacturing professionals and service providers. Our training programs and internship programs continue to enhance manufacturing company productivity and build the kind of workforce we need to grow further. Our training team has saved companies tens of thousands of dollars through coordinating for training grants and credits for manufacturing companies. We have refocused the organization on staying in touch with our membership – all of you should have received at least a phone call to discuss how SFMA can help your company thrive.

Recently, your SFMA was recognized for its efforts to support training in the manufacturing community by award of a new NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnership - FloridaMakes. SFMA is FloridaMakes' partner for South Florida Manufacturers. FloridaMakes will focus exclusively on the growth and prosperity of Florida's manufacturing industry and will foster innovation, technology adoption, international trade, workforce development and supply chain optimization.

This year we are going to work harder to provide internship opportunities to future manufacturing professionals. We are going to work very hard with local legislators to make the Sales Tax Exemption on the purchase of Capital Equipment that we won two years ago permanent – and we need stories from our membership of how that exemption benefited growth. We are going to pursue with local and state government the concept of Fast Tracking building permits for Manufacturing Expansion or Improvements. All of this and we will now be able to provide expanded training opportunities through the new FloridaMakes program.

Congratulations and commendations to all the Finalists and award recipients. They have endured a rigorous judging and represent the finest examples of the outstanding South Florida manufacturing community. They truly deserve the spotlight tonight.

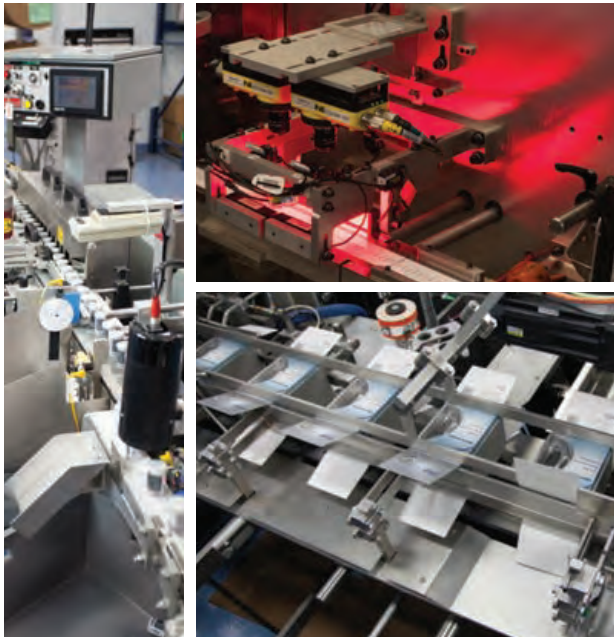
To manufacturers who are members of SFMA – thank you for your support. This is an organization led by manufacturers for the betterment of manufacturing in the area, and we could not do it without you. For manufacturers who are not yet members, please join and use the resources of SFMA to improve and grow your operations, business and employees. The Association needs your voice, your support and most importantly your involvement to continue its work to sustain South Florida as a Manufacturing Center of Excellence for another half century.

To our corporate sponsors and other non-manufacturing members of the SFMA who work so hard to support manufacturers on a daily basis, our greatest thanks for your tireless efforts. We are blessed to have such an extremely supportive group of business leaders who recognize the value of our manufacturing community.

Thank you all for attending and joining in our celebration.

Best regards,

Patrick A. Stallings, COL, USA Ret.
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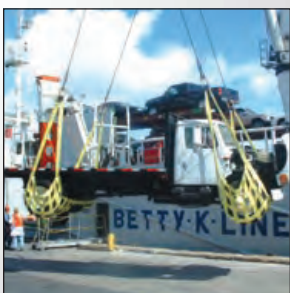
ALUMA TOWER COMPANY **WINNER**

It is decade number five for the Aluma Tower Company, but early yet for a legacy spanning the substantial portion of the wireless world's time line. Aluma Tower Co. continues designing customer-centric, innovative solutions for wireless communication infrastructure. The favored core is the patented mobility tower/ trailer/ shelter system utilizing the earth's third most abundant element, aluminum, singular for virtues of strength, agility and lightness. Nesting towers expand up over 100 feet to provide 80% of steel's strength with one-third the weight, aptly supporting antennas, RF equipment, cameras, lighting, and air sampling and wind measurement devices, among other peripherals. Rugged trailers take the units over the road or up and down rough terrain. Units have been lifted by rotorcraft to remote high altitudes, where solar panels provide the non-fossil fuel powering source.



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