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Suppliers recognized six years straight for performance excellence



Winners of the annual Boeing Performance Excellence Award each receive a trophy. (Boeing photo)

Partnering with suppliers is a cornerstone of Boeing's efforts to succeed in a tough marketplace, and finding suppliers who are consistently excellent is a bonus.

Four such Boeing suppliers — GC Micro, GM Nameplate, Hyatt Die Cast & Engineering Corp. and nLogic — are among those that have received the Boeing Performance Excellence Award (BPEA) not just multiple times but for six consecutive years. The award recognizes outstanding supplier performance based on measurements against specific targets from October through September of each year.

In 2013, Boeing recognized the second-highest number of award winners in the history of the program. The award fosters stronger relationships with top-performing suppliers and ultimately provides best value to Boeing's customers.

"I prefer to work with a supplier that is on the BPEA list, as these suppliers have had excellent performance ratings throughout the year, which demonstrates their commitment to provide value and quality service to The Boeing Company," said Evelyn Monroy, a procurement agent for Boeing Defense, Space & Security. "These suppliers allow us to award contracts in a more streamlined manner and enable Boeing to meet or exceed our customer's needs."

The award is "a big morale booster," according to Mark Miller, director of Aerospace and Defense Products at Hyatt Die Cast, a small business of 170 employees in Cypress, Calif.

"Every time we get one, I take it around, sort of like the

Performance excellence award recipients -- at a glance

Four Boeing suppliers — GC Micro, GM Nameplate, Hyatt Die Cast and nLogic — have each received the Boeing Performance Excellence Award for the sixth consecutive year. Here's a description of each company.

- GC Micro works with 1,700 top software and hardware manufacturers. The business has a 280,000-line-item inventory and \$5 billion in product inventory across 14 national warehouses. It provides technical support and real-time inventory levels. In addition to fulfilling information technology hardware and software requirements, GC Micro provides hardware and software integration services and software management services.
- GM Nameplate provides custom-printed markers, decals, placards, mandatory markings, exterior liveries and nameplates. These are printed on an array of different mediums, such as the vinyl, aluminum, stainless steel, polyester, laminated plastics and poly carbonates that are used by Boeing. GM Nameplate has been added to the Qualified Processors List for plastic injection molding and is bidding on statements of work.
- Hyatt Die Cast & Engineering Corp. provides housing, chassis, heat sinks, pin sensors and pin bases to the Boeing Direct Attack Programs. The business also provides fuel tank access doors and wing fuel tank sealing kit components to Commercial Airplanes.



Boeing honored more than 500 companies with the Boeing Performance Excellence Award in 2013. (Boeing photo)

way you see teams holding the Stanley Cup over their heads as they skate around the ice, and everyone gets a big kick out of it," he said. "But when we have other customers, other suppliers, even Boeing people visit us, and they see that row of awards, it carries significant weight."

Amy Paluczak, Supplier of the Year program lead,

explained the significance further.

"An important part of building and maintaining a collaborative relationship with our suppliers is recognizing their commitment to high performance for Boeing," she said. "That's why it is important to maintain accurate supplier data so that our partners are recognized at the right level."

BPEA recipients automatically qualify for 11 of the 15 Supplier of the Year categories. Boeing employees may submit Supplier of the Year nominations beginning Oct. 1.

To learn more about the supplier recognition program and past BPEA recipient listings, refer to the [Supplier Recognition Website](#).

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- nLogic provides recognized subject-matter expertise in various areas. Those areas of expertise include project management, systems engineering and integration, systems analysis, modeling and simulation, software development and testing, hardware/software integration, test and evaluation, information systems security, integrated logistics support, configuration management, environment and occupational health, operations and sustainment, and visualization/video support.