Dear Industry Professional,

The Professional Engineers in Industry Practice Division of the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers is pleased to announce its 2020 Ohio New Product Award competition.

If your company has developed a new process or project it may be eligible for competition for state and national recognition.

Nominations are grouped according to the size of the manufacturing company. Winners will be selected in four firm size categories:

- Small - 50 or fewer employees
- Medium - 51 to 200 employees
- Large - 201 to 9,999 employees
- Mega - 10,000 or more employees

Judging is performed by the OSPE-PEI Awards Committee.

Nominations must be submitted on the entry form, which you may also copy for multiple applications.

A state winner will be selected in each of the aforementioned firm size categories.

It will be a pleasure to receive an entry from your company.

Very truly yours,

Richard Smelker, PE
Chairman
Professional Engineers in Industry

Devon Seal, PE
President

Tim Schaffer
Executive Director
PURPOSE & CRITERIA

• The purpose of the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) New Product Award program is to stimulate and recognize the full spectrum of benefits that come from the research and engineering of new products. These include added employment, economic development, strengthening of the nation’s competitive position internationally and contribution to the public’s standard of living.

• New and improved products stimulate the life and growth of our country. These benefits result from research and development to which engineers make their unique contribution. This competition recognizes the results of those efforts and the foresight of the companies whose aggressive policies bring new products to the marketplace.

• Any new product, machine, process or material that has been primarily developed and manufactured in Ohio and in use or recently on the market (see Rule 3 below), may be entered.

• Judging Criteria

   A. 20% - Sales and economic impact:
      Marketing - describe the success of any marketing efforts to date.
      Economic Impact - use of raw materials, jobs created, market share, exports, etc.

   B. 40% - Innovative use of engineering principles:
      Creativity - describe how product is unique from other similar products.
      Technology - describe how new or current technology is used in manufacturing or production and what novel engineering principles are incorporated into its design.
      Quality - describe how it is superior in its reliability, accuracy, maintainability and construction.

   C. 40% - Improved function:
      Savings - in final cost, savings to the user, savings to the environment in its production.
      Productivity - efficiency in design and/or production or ease of use.
      Energy - savings in use of energy during production or in use of product (measured in kwh, btu, etc.).
      Safety - improved safety in the production process or to the consumer in the use of the product.

• Ohio and National awards will receive appropriate recognition including: Coverage by news media and in the Ohio ENGINEER magazine to promote the greatest public exposure for winning products and companies. Prior years’ winners will be featured in announcements of succeeding competitions.

RULES

1. Entries must be received by OSPE no later than 5:00 pm, March 31, 2020.

2. Nominations will be grouped according to number of employees. Winners may be selected in four employment categories - small, medium, large and mega.

3. The product should have been first placed on the market between September 1, 2016 and September 1, 2019. Any new product, machine, process or material that has been primarily developed and manufactured in Ohio may be entered.

4. The product description should fit the criteria listed on this page and the application form. Submitting additional pages or materials is encouraged and must be on 8½” x 11” pages.

5. Eight copies of the OSPE nomination form and all supporting material must be submitted. The entry form and additional material may be attached or bound in any appropriate manner.

6. Nomination material, including product samples, become the property of OSPE and will not be returned except through prior request.

7. Photos of product or samples should be submitted if feasible.

8. A $100.00 entry fee must accompany all applications. Checks should be made payable to Ohio Society of Professional Engineers-PEI. ENTRY FEE WAIVED THIS YEAR!

Submit application to the OSPE-PEI Awards Committee, 400 South Fifth Street, Suite 300, Columbus, Ohio 43215. If you have questions, call 614-223-1144 or toll free in Ohio, 800-654-9481, or email at ospe@ohioengineer.com
2020 OHIO NEW PRODUCT AWARD
ENTRY FORM

Please return this form, together with supporting literature, description of product, machine, process or material, entry fee and photographs.

Product name and description (enclose photographs):
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Today’s Date:___________________ Date initially marketed:___________________
Unit retail or end sales price: $_________________________

Applicability to the judging criteria:
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Name and address of producing company:
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Location(s) of plant(s) at which product was manufactured:
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Number of employees on this project:_____________
Company wide (if multiplant):_____________

Name and address of local news media (newspapers, radio, TV):
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Name, title and phone number of individual submitting entry on behalf of company:
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Signature:________________________________________________________________________________

Have you enclosed your entry fee? ENTRY FEE WAIVED THIS YEAR!

Attach additional information on 8½” x 11” sheets.