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Semi-Finalists announced for aerospace & defense industry's Supply Chain Awards

Irvine, California – October 16, 2009 – **Supplier Excellence Alliance (SEA)**, headquartered in Irvine, California, has announced semi-finalists for the prestigious 2009 **Aerospace & Defense Industry Supply Chain Awards**. Winners will be announced at the 3rd Awards Gala on November 11, 2009 at the Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas & Spa in Indian Wells, California.

The Awards Gala, designed for supplier company owners, CEOs and their guests, will recognize the performance and leadership contributions of small- to mid-sized supplier companies with nationwide representation.

Executives from major prime and tier-one contractors as well as from supplier companies will attend the Awards Gala. Out of 280 Nominations, the Panel of Judges forwarded 70 Applications to the semi-finalist stage. The Judges are retired aerospace and defense industry executives representing the SCORE organization that is co-sponsored by the Small Business Administration. SCORE Counselors are retired executives who volunteer their time to help small businesses owner throughout the nation to improve their businesses.

A golf outing, Supplier Reception and Supplier CEO Conference will precede the Awards Gala at the Hyatt Grand Champions Villas & Spa in Indian Wells, California. SEA Members will also participate in a Supply Chain Summit the day after the Awards Gala.

- For a complete description of the awards and the judging process Click Here
- For more information on the Awards event <u>Click Here</u>. Those individuals wishing to attend the events may also register on this page.
- To download the list of Semi-Finalists, Click Here

SEA is an unprecedented aerospace and defense alliance led by sub-tier suppliers committed to accelerating supply chain performance. SEA provides a proven turnkey system for supplier development targeted to mid-tier aerospace and defense customers and provides an industry voice for suppliers on issues affecting supply chain performance. SEA also provides a platform for supplier visibility, performance improvement and collaboration. SEA is non-profit 501c6 funded by supplier memberships and sponsorships.

SEA partners and alliances include Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME), National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA), International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG), Society of British Aerospace Companies (SBAC) and California Space Authority.

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