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Governor Jay Inslee Honors Washington Industrial Energy Leaders Industrial companies make exceptional progress toward improved energy efficiency

Olympia, Wash. – Gov. Jay Inslee today honored nine industrial companies in Washington for their outstanding leadership in improving energy performance at the third annual Washington Industrial Energy Leaders awards ceremony in Olympia.

"Energy efficiency means an improved bottom line for industries, and I am proud of the commitment these industry leaders have demonstrated to apply innovative solutions to achieve energy savings," said Gov. Inslee. "A thriving industrial sector helps create and keep jobs in our state, support a strong economy and provide a cleaner environment for future generations."

This year's program awarded six Governor's Awards and three Sponsor's Awards.

- The Boeing Co. received the Governor's Award for *Leadership by Example*, with Puget Sound Energy, Seattle City Light, and Snohomish PUD as the serving utilities.
- The City of Tacoma Central Wastewater Treatment Plant received the Governor's Award for *Leadership in Energy Performance*, with Tacoma Power as the serving utility.
- Quincy Foods LLC received the Governor's Award for Leadership in Energy Performance, with Grant County PUD and Cascade Natural Gas as the serving utilities.
- Lineage Logistics received the Governor's Award honorable mention for *Leadership in Energy Performance*, with Puget Sound Energy as the serving utility.
- Shields Bag and Printing Co. received the Governor's Award for *Leadership in Innovation*, with Pacific Power and Cascade Natural Gas as the serving utilities.
- Inland Empire Paper Co. received the Governor's Award honorable mention for Leadership in Innovation, with Avista Utilities as the serving utility.

- North Pacific Paper Corp. received the Sponsor's award for Leadership in Energy Performance, with Cowlitz PUD as the serving utility.
- Inland Empire Paper Co. received the Sponsor's award for *Leadership in Innovation*, with Avista Utilities as the serving utility.
- King & Prince Seafood Corp. and UniSea, which share a facility, received a joint Sponsor's award for *Leadership in Innovation*, with Puget Sound Energy as the serving utility.

"Industry leaders face increasing pressure to reduce operating costs and find a more sustainable way to do business," said Jake Fey, director of the Washington State University (WSU) Energy Program. "The most innovative industry leaders realize that they can accomplish both of these goals by enhancing energy efficiency."

The Washington Industrial Energy Leaders program was designed to recognize companies that are making exceptional progress toward improved energy efficiency. The program is sponsored by the WSU Energy Program, Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance, Washington State Department of Commerce, and Bonneville Power Administration, the program's founding sponsor.

"BPA is very proud of the energy achievements of this year's award winners," said Richard Génecé, BPA's vice president of Energy Efficiency. "Their commitment to efficiency and innovative approaches are examples of why the Northwest is a national leader in energy efficiency."

A total of 20 award applications were submitted, according to Christine Love, WSU Energy Program industrial services manager. "The selection committee members agreed that each application highlighted impressive accomplishments for the nominating businesses," Love said. "Each company that submitted an application can be proud of its efforts. Tonight's award winners represent the companies that ranked highest among this inspiring group."

The Washington Industrial Energy Leaders awards ceremony included Gov. Inslee, executives from industry and their serving utilities, state leaders, and representatives from energy efficiency organizations.