Honouring Saskatchewan Business Excellence

The ABEX Award for Growth and Expansion, sponsored by PFM Capital Inc., is awarded to a business that has made significant changes in their business resulting in “Growth” or “Expansion.”

Changes may relate to job creation and/or investment.

In order to maximize your points, ensure that all answers are clear, direct, detailed and accurate.

All content within the applications is held in the strictest confidence.

You may wish to include letters of support reflecting your initiatives and achievements, articles or other media pieces portraying your efforts, or any other materials (i.e. financials, company reports) which illustrate your commitment.
Applicants are evaluated using a points system which will evaluate the performance of a business over its most recent fiscal year. The only materials used to select finalists are those in your nomination package, so please be clear about what you do and avoid the use of abbreviations and jargon. Entries must be typed (not handwritten) into the fillable nomination forms, adhering to length limits, and proofed for accuracy and completeness. Unanswered questions are given a score of zero; please ensure you have answered all the questions. The judging matrix takes into account the size of businesses and the relative impact of their activities.

The following points should assist you in completing your nomination:

• Clearly explain what your company does. Also indicate the strategies and skills used in the operation of your business.

• Indicate the objectives initially established for your company. Be sure to indicate why they were reasonable in your field.

• Highlight your company’s accomplishments, particularly as they related to your original objectives.

• Explain what is expected of your company in terms of longevity and growth.

**Financial information is particularly important in this category.** Please include your financial statements. All financial information submitted to the chamber is confidential and reviewed solely by our independent evaluators, Cogent Chartered Professional Accountants LLP. Remember to be specific about what investments your company has made particularly with regard to buildings, machinery, research, training, etc.**

All applications received are entered into the Business of the Year category. The awards are open to any for-profit business of any size, within the private sector of the province (non-governmental). Businesses may be entered in more than one category, and may submit their own application or be sponsored by a third party. ABEX sponsors are excluded from consideration as ABEX finalists.

The gala awards ceremony will be held in Saskatoon on Saturday, October 24, 2015. All finalists must attend the ceremony, and are encouraged to bring along their staff, family, friends and customers. Tickets will be available at www.saskchamber.com beginning in July 2015.

Return the completed forms and supplementary materials before June 30, 2015 to:

The ABEX Awards Selection Committee
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