



2014 Cutting EDGE Technology Awards

Purpose: The Cobb Chamber of Commerce seeks to identify outstanding Cobb-based companies that excel in manufacturing, processing or utilizes of high-end technology in innovative ways. The Cobb Chamber recognizes the significance of technology to commerce and economic growth and prosperity. This award gives recognition to exceptional companies who have shown their partnership to the vitality of Cobb County through their commitment to innovation.

Instructions: To nominate an organization for this award, please complete each area of this form. If an area does not apply, please designate by "N/A". You may attach additional information but please limit to no more than 3 pages. **Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Nominees must meet the following conditions:

1. Must *currently* operate in Cobb County.
2. Organization must have at least 3 years of Cobb residency.

Cutting EDGE Users Categories:

Small (0-100 employees) Medium (100-200 employees) Large (200+ employees)

Cutting EDGE Creators Categories:

Small (0-74 employees) Medium (75-149 employees) Large (150+ employees)

Green Tech/Clean Tech Award

All forms must be received via hard-copy or email, no later than 3:00pm March 6, 2014 to Samantha Elrod at the Cobb Chamber of Commerce. Questions may be directed to Samantha Elrod, Marketing & Development Manager, Economic Development at selrod@cobbchamber.org or 770-859-2374.

Nominee Information

Award Category:

Please choose one*

Creates high-end technology

Utilizes high-end technology

Green Tech/Clean Tech Award

Nominee Company Name:

Web address:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Local President/CEO/Plant Manager:

Contact Phone #:

Email:

Total local employment:

Total local payroll:

Product:

Number of years of operation at this location:

Nominator Information

Nominator Name: _____

Organization: _____

Product Type: _____

Web address: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Section 1: Tech Creators/Users Awards Application

Answer the following in 50 words or less noting examples & criteria

Economic Impact: The results or impact of the technological product or use should provide tangible and measureable benefits. Describe the scope of these benefits and the longevity of the impact.

Indicate the economic impact of the company's technology use or creation within Cobb County:

Give examples of overcoming challenge and innovation:

Innovative: The technology created or used must be either an invention or an innovative use of an existing technology that makes a noteworthy contribution that surpasses previous or current solutions.

Examples of innovative advancements:

Describe any company recognition for excellence in technology use or creation:

Community Impact: The results or impact of the technological product or service should provide tangible and measureable benefits. Describe the scope of these benefits and the longevity of the impact.

Describe participation in programs to support the community: (technology)

List any partnership with local educational institutions:

Employee Benefits:

Describe employee educational and skills growth programs:

Section 2: Green Tech/Clean Tech Awards

Users or creators of products or services that relate to green or clean technology, including products that increase efficiency, utilize alternative energy, enhance or improve systems, or utilization of recycling, renewable energy, green transport, or other methods to minimize pollution or improve energy use or generation.

Please describe your green initiatives:

Are there external partners involved in this process?

What are the key challenges you face, and how have you overcome them?

What are your future plans for innovation in Green Tech/Clean Tech?

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