



NASA Goddard Contractor Excellence Award

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- The Contractor Excellence Award represents the Goddard Space Flight Center's (GSFC) recognition of those contractors who:
 - 1) make a substantial contribution to the mission of the Center and
 - 2) are dedicated to a philosophy of Continuous Improvement (CI).
- Web site with more information is: http://iows001.gsfc.nasa.gov/gsfccea/
- The award offers applicants an opportunity to conduct a comprehensive self-evaluation process to identify both strengths and opportunities for improvement within their organization.





Background of Award Program

- The GSFC Contractor Excellence Award has been offered annually since 1988 to current GSFC prime contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers.
- Those companies that contribute significantly to the mission of the GSFC, and that have achieved measurable results over a three-year period can apply.
- The award is given annually to applicants that demonstrate appropriate achievement against the evaluation criteria described later in this presentation.
 - Previous award recipients are eligible to receive the award again, provided they demonstrate significant improvement over and above those accomplishments for which they have already been recognized.





Award Evaluation Process

- A committee of GSFC examiners drawn from each Goddard Directorate assesses all applications
 - Information is treated as contractor proprietary
 - This committee, in conjunction with the opinions of appropriate technical and administrative personnel within the Center, evaluates the significance of the applicant's contribution to the GSFC.
 - The committee also evaluates the structure and the accomplishments of the applicant's continuous improvement efforts.





Award Categories

- The GSFC Contractor Excellence Award may be awarded in four categories:
 - Large Business Product
 - Large Business Service
 - Small Business Product
 - Small Business Service
- A product can be hardware, software, research, and/or technology development.
- A service would include those activities where the contractor supports GSFC in maintaining, improving, and enhancing existing infrastructure.



Mission Success Starts With Safety Written Application & Site Review Process



- Large and small businesses that apply must prepare a written seven (7) page application addressing the areas included in the evaluation criteria.
- Based on a review of the written application, those companies considered to be potential recipients of the GSFC award will be selected for a site visit. The purpose of the site visit is to:
 - 1. Further investigate data and impression of the application
 - 2. Observe continuous improvement in the work environment
- Following the completion of all site visits, the GSFC committee will complete its assessment and present its recommendations to the GSFC Center Director, who selects the award recipients.





Evaluation Factors

- 1. Technical Performance (200 Points)
- 2. Schedule Performance (150 Points)
- 3. Cost Performance (150 Points)
- 4. Customer Satisfaction Process (100 Points)
- 5. Leadership and Quality Improvement (250 Points)
- 6. Research and Development and/or Innovative Technology Breakthroughs (50 Points)
- 7. Items of Special Interest to GSFC (100 Points)

A detailed description of each factor is available at the website:

http://iows001.gsfc.nasa.gov/gsfccea/





Award and Debrief Process

- Recipients will be honored and receive a trophy presented at a GSFC Award Ceremony.
- There may be one (or more) Goddard recipients in each of the four award categories. Each year's award recipients will be considered for nomination to the NASA George M. Low Award.
- After announcement of the GSFC award recipients, all applicants will be offered a debriefing, which GSFC will share its perspective on the applicant's strengths and opportunities for improvement.





Tentative FY10 Schedule

January 2010 Award Application Guidelines Available

February 2010 Applications Received

March 2010 Begin Site Visits

April 2010 Complete Site Visits

June 2010 Complete Debriefings

October 2010 Presentation of Awards





Registration for the Award

- Please take note of the link for "Register for future information" at website: http://iows001.gsfc.nasa.gov/gsfccea/
- If you need more information on the program, please contact:
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Congratulations to 2009 Award Winners:

Category	Company	Speaker
Small Business - Product	LJT & Associate, Columbia, MD	Leonid J. Tasheiko, Esq., President and Chief Executive Officer
Small Business – Service	ADNET Systems, Inc., Rockville, MD	Richard Isaacman, Vice President for Science and Engineering, ADNET
	MEI Technologies, Houston, TX	Dwight Yoder , Deputy Program Manager, MEI
Large Business – Service	PARSONS, Pasadena, CA	Heather Shinn , Senior Project Manager