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Expansion Solutions Magazine Presents its "Top Five" Awards of Excellence

PELHAM, AL -- Expansion Solutions Magazine recently announced its Third Annual "Top Five" Awards of Excellence. These awards recognize economic development organizations which have shown exceptional progress and potential in the development area – by successfully recruiting, retaining and assisting growing businesses. These locations were chosen because of the incredible support system offered to businesses and the growth and the potential growth that can be created in each area. Their strategic locations, pro-business climates, the investments that have been made improving infrastructure and the availability of buildings and sites were among the top deciding factors in choosing these locations. Website design awards were based on ease of navigation, overall look and feel, interactive search engines, video/ progressive media, and total investment (planning/implementation/exposure and financial investment).

"We are excited about giving national recognition to these organizations as it further demonstrates their leadership role in major commercial activities," said Kimberly Merkel, Editor of Expansion Solutions Magazine. "Not only does it showcase each area for their success in recruiting and retaining businesses, it also is a source of pride for each city, county, state and their economic development department."

The winners are listed in alphabetical order and are reflective of the top five selections. For more information on these organizations and the areas they serve, please visit our website at www.ExpansionSolutionsMagazine.com.

Automotive

Baldwin County Economic Development Alliance Robertsdale, AL

Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce

Chattanooga, TN

Columbus-Lowndes Development Link Columbus, MS

Henderson County Partnership for Economic Development Hendersonville. NC

North Louisiana Economic Partnership

Monroe, Louisiana

Biotechnology

Abilene Industrial Foundation Abilene, TX

Brooks Development Authority

San Antonio, TX

The City of South San Francisco

South San Francisco, CA

Frederick County Office of Economic Development

Frederick, MD

Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce Atlanta, GA



High Technology

Aurora Economic Development Commission

Aurora, IL

Danville Office of Economic

Development Danville, VA

Newport News Economic Development Authority Newport News, VA

Pittsburgh Regional Alliance

Pittsburgh, PA

San Jose Redevelopment Agency

San Jose, CA

Logistics

Duplin County Economic Development Commission

Kenansville, NC

Greenspoint District

Houston, TX

Illinois Valley Area Chamber of

Commerce (IVAC)

La Salle, IL

McAllen Economic

Development Corporation

McAllen, TX

Rankin First Economic Development Authority

Brandon, MS

Ports

Port Authority of New York

and New Jersey New York, NY

Port of Charleston

Charleston, SC

Port Freeport Freeport, TX

Port of Los Angeles

San Pedro, CA

Port of Savannah Savannah, GA

Warehouse/Distribution

Grand Island Area Economic Development

Grand Island, NE

Hagerstown - Washington County

Economic Development

Commission Hagerstown, MD

High Point Economic

Development Corporation

High Point, NC

Pflugerville Community Development Corporation

Pflugerville, TX

Sioux Falls Development

Foundation Sioux Falls, SD Website Design

Greater Waco Chamber

Waco, TX

Indy Partnership

Indianapolis, IN

New River Valley Economic Development Alliance

Radford, VA

Valdosta - Lowndes County

Industrial Authority

Valdosta, GA

Vicksburg Warren Economic

Development Foundation

Vicksburg, MS