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## Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Names 2009 Supplier Award Recipients



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Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC) today announced its 2009 supplier awards, a program recognizing outstanding HBC vendors in five categories. Rockwell Collins received top honors as the HBC Supplier of the Year. BE Aerospace's Miami Seating Division earned the title of 2009 Performance Champion, while Shackleford Machine and Shuttle Machine shared the spotlight with the Small Business Partners Award. Damping Technologies was recognized for Innovative Excellence, and High Tech Finishing and BE Aerospace's Miami Seating Division were named the 2009 Customer Service Champions.

"These awards provide us with an opportunity to highlight and express appreciation for the contributions of our valued suppliers," said Scott Shepherd, vice president, Hawker Beechcraft Supply Chain. "They are key partners in manufacturing, delivering and supporting the broadest product lineup in the industry. Their commitment and efforts are crucial to our success."

Rockwell Collins received the 2009 Supplier of the Year Award for demonstrating a true partnership attitude through their efforts to quickly adapt when the challenges of an uncertain marketplace and a difficult economy forced HBC to adjust its production schedules. Their unwavering resource commitments, practical ideas and innovative strategies for countering the effects of the economic downturn set them apart as one of HBC's most significant strategic partners throughout the past year.

High Tech Finishing received the Customer Service Champion Award for a second straight year for continuing to demonstrate excellent customer service while meeting HBC's high standards. They continue to be a leader in order fulfillment and consistently surpassing customer expectations. BE Aerospace's Miami Seating Division also received the Customer Service Champion Award, in addition to a being named a Performance Champion for 2009 for consistently meeting performance commitments across many categories.

Damping Technologies earned the distinguished Innovation Excellence Award for their exceptional performance in design, construction and integration support of their noise and vibration systems in partnership with HBC.

Receiving Small Business Partner Awards were Shackleford Machine and Shuttle Machine. Both were cited for superior quality and delivery performance, as well as their commitment to continuous improvement. Shackleford Machine achieved a 99 percent quantitative supplier rating over the past twelve months, while Shuttle Machine earned its recognition for excellence in communication and improving its price competitiveness.

Performance Excellence plaques were awarded in Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum levels based on a quantitative supplier rating system that HBC utilizes over a rolling 12 month period. The rating system lists 97 percent for Bronze, 98 percent for silver, 99 percent for gold and 100 percent for platinum. Receiving Platinum Awards this year were Hackman Paint & Supply and Midwest Plastic Supply for fully supporting HBC while achieving a 100 percent quantitative supplier rating.

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation is a world-leading manufacturer of business, special mission and trainer aircraft designing, marketing and supporting aviation products and services for businesses, governments and individuals worldwide. The company's headquarters and major facilities are located in Wichita, Kan., with operations in Salina, Kan.; Little Rock, Ark.; Chester, England, U.K.; and Chihuahua, Mexico. The company leads the industry with a global network of more than 100 factory-owned and authorized service centers. For more information, visit [www.hawkerbeechcraft.com](http://www.hawkerbeechcraft.com).

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