COUNSELOR Distributor

The Finalists

Presenting the finalists in each of the 2009 Distributor Choice Awards' 46 product categories - with four new categories this year.

AUTO ACCESSORIES

Autoplate Coolballs Dixie Seal & Stamp Co. Evans Mfg. Flags Made Garyline Handstands Huffermen Nationwide Promotions Pepco Poms Pillowline/Norwood Ready 4 Kits

AWARDS

Awardcraft Custom Printing II Encore Etch FRS Industries Innovation Line by Innovation Specialties J Charles Crystalworks Jaffa/Norwood **Meetings Direct** Moderne Glass Co. R S Owens & Co. St. Regis Crystal Visions Awards

BADGES & BUTTONS

American Greenwood Aura Badge Co. **Buztronics** Chemical Light Express-A-Button FRS Industries Halls & Co. Idproductsource Larlu Meetings Direct Pepco Poms Ventura

BUSINESS ACCESSORIES

Bic Graphic USA Continental Mktg. Svc. **Drummond Printing** Erell Mfg. Co. Innopack USA La Belle Time/Hurricane Line Leed's Meetings Direct Posh Xessories Royal Industries Starline USA Journalbooks/Timeplanner Calendars

CALENDARS

Beacon Promotions Hotline Products Lithographics Magnet Pacific Western Sales Quikey Mfg. Co. Royal Industries Tradenet Publishing Triumph Calendars/Norwood Ventura Vitronic Promotional Group Waldor Products

CLOCKS & WATCHES

Atlantis Time-Line **Beacon Promotions** Dard Products DEVARA Express-A-Button Fields Mfg. Innovation Line by Innovation Specialties La Belle Time/Hurricane Line Leed's Logomark Prime Line

COMPUTER ACCESSORIES

All-In-One Atlantis Time-Line **Bullet Line** Cosmo Fiber Corp. Gemline KTI Networks Leed's Pinaline Posh Xessories Prime Line Starline USA **Toppers**

DECALS, LABELS & BUMPER

STICKERS AmeriCAL Aura Badge Co. DFS Group Discount Labels Gill Studios Imagery Group Label Works, a Navitor Co. Lancer Label Magna-Plus

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DIGITAL PICTURE FRAMES

Flash Drive Direct Global Reach Network Gordon Ind. Hirsch Gift LogoIncluded Pictureframes.net Pinaline

DRINKWARE - GLASS & CERAMIC

American Accents Bel Incorporated Benner China & Glassware Of FL Custom Printing II **ETS Express** Megafast Moderne Glass Co. RCC Koozie/Norwood Sabina St. Regis Crystal World Wide Lines

DRINKWARE - PLASTIC & OTHER American Accents

Bel Incorporated Bullet Line Crown Products Custom Printing II ETS Express Gold Bond Jetline Leed's Moderne Glass Co. RCC Koozie/Norwood

ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS

All-In-One Atlantis Time-Line Binaco **Bullet Line** Calibre International Chulani Promotional Products **Dard Products** DEVARA Leed's Pictureframes.net Pingline Prime Line

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY & RECYCLED PRODUCTS

American Ad Bag Co. American Accents Ash City Bag Makers Garyline

Gemline Innopack USA Molenaar Snugz/USA Solar Advertising Starline USA Journalbooks/Timeplanner Calendars

Aakron Rule Corp. American Greenwood Best Way Promotions **CPS** The Chest Express-A-Button Lion Circle Corp. Magna-Plus Pepco Poms Sanders Mfg. Co. Superior Adv. & Mktg.

FLASHLIGHTS Adva-Lite

Alexander Mfg. Co. Atlantis Time-Line **Bullet Line** Buztronics CPS Calibre International Clegg Industries Dorcy Special Markets Div. Hit Promotional Products Nu Promo International Starline USA

FOOD

Admints & Zagabor Chocolate Inn **Dard Products** Hospitality Mints Lanco Corp. Leashables By Oralabs Maple Ridge Farms Mid-Nite Snax Richard's Gourmet Coffee Co. Water Promotions Webb Co. Yummyphoto

GOLF ACCESSORIES

Ball Pro CPS Crown Products Gold Bond Golf Tee Printers Par One Pro Golf Premiums Ready 4 Kits Sanders Mfg. Co.

Seville Corp. Tee Off/Norwood Windbrella Products Corp.

GREETING CARDS

Birchcraft Studios Carlson Craft Clega Industries DFS Group **Hotline Products** Snugz/USA Warwick Publishing Co. Winthrop-Atkins Co.

HEALTH & BEAUTY PRODUCTS

Atlantis Time-Line Calibre International Evans Mfg. Garvline Hit Promotional Products Innopack USA Jetline Lanco Corp. Ready 4 Kits Snugz/USA Solar Advertising Vitronic Promotional Group

HOUSEWARES & TOOLS

Atlantis Time-Line **Bullet Line** Crown Products Custom Printing II Gold Bond Hit Promotional Products Leed's RCC Koozie/Norwood St. Regis Crystal Starline USA Target Industries

INFLATABLES

AGA Balloons & Specialty Products Above & Beyond Advertising Balloons Ad-Line Industries Balloon House/Balloons Overnight **BamBams** Chulani Promotional Products Galaxy Balloons Goodview Industries Co. Huffermen National Balloon Pioneer Balloon Co. Vonco Products

JEWELRY & EMBLEMS

American Greenwood Avaline **Buztronics** Calibre International Clegg Industries **EMT** F & H Ribbon Co. Genesis Idproductsource Imagery Group Jarco Line Perfect Match International

JOURNALS & DIARIES Drummond Printing Enduraline MeadWestvaco Pacific Western Sales Royal Industries Spector & Co. . Journalbooks/Timeplanner Calendars Waldor Products Windmill Press/Saratoga Pen Co.

KEYTAGS & LUGGAGE TAGS

Atlantis Time-Line **Bullet Line** CPS Evans Mfg. Gemini Ind. Genesis Hit Promotional Products .Jetline Nu Promo International Quikey Mfg. Co. Target Industries

Ariel Premium Supply

LANYARDS

Calibre International **DEVARA** Erell Mfg. Co. Fields Mfg. Idproductsource Innovation Line by Innovation Specialties Lewtan Industries Corp. Meetings Direct Promovision Palomino Snugz/USA Solar Advertising Target Industries

LUGGAGE & BAGS

Bag Makers Bic Graphic USA **Bullet Line** Continental Mktg. Svc. Crown Products Dynamic Solutions Gemline Hit Promotional Products Leed's Posh Xessories Pro Golf Premiums SanMar

MAGNETS

All-In-One American Greenwood Bic Graphic USA Evans Mfg Gemini Ind. Gill Studios Graphco Line Magnet Molenaar Sanders Mfg. Co. Stouse Tradenet Publishing

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MARKERS & HIGHLIGHTERS

All American Premium Corp. Dri Mark Products Empire USA Frank Lee Imports Liqui-Mark Corp. Sanford Business-To-Business Target Industries

MOUSEPADS

Bic Graphic USA DIGISPEC Econ-O-Line/Norwood Gill Studios Handstands JIT Mfg. Kin Image Lewtan Industries Corp. Magna-Plus Perfect Promotional Products World Wide Lines

HEAD OF THE CLASS

Delivery

On-time delivery is probably the most important rating that distributors can give for their suppliers. In short, if products don't make it to distributors when they need them, then everything else a supplier does is for naught. Here are the suppliers rated the best on delivery by distributors. In fact, the first seven companies listed were tied with perfect scores:

- 1. Autoplate
- 1. ERB Safety & Fame Fabrics
- 1. Encore Etch Inc.
- 1. Global Reach Network Inc.
- 1. Liqui-Mark Corp.
- 1. LogoIncluded Inc.
- 1. Water Promotions Inc.
- 2. G P Marketing International LTD
- 2. Launch Group Corp.
- 2. Marketing Promotion Image
- 2. National Balloon
- 2. Nu Promo International
- 2. Superior Advertising & Marketing Inc.

Problem Resolution

In every transaction distributors rate a supplier's ability to resolve any issues that arise. Here are the top-rated suppliers in the area of problem resolution – each of these suppliers received perfect scores:

- 1. Affinity Fine Business Accessories
- 1. Awardcraft
- 1. Dorcy Special Markets Division
- 1. Encore Etch Inc.
- 1. Global Reach Network Inc.
- 1. Idproductsource
- 1. Innopack USA
- 1. Liqui-Mark Corp.
- 1. National Balloon
- 1. Solar Advertising
- 1. Tonata Enterprise

Imprint

Wondering about the best suppliers for the quality of the imprint they place on their products? Distributors have spoken. Here are the top 10 suppliers in the industry based on the scores assigned to them by distributors when asked to rate their imprint quality - each of these 10 suppliers got the highest marks possible.

- 1. Affinity Fine Business Accessories
- 1. Autoplate
- 1. Blue Generation
- 1. Cincinnati Line/Wear Magic
- 1. Encore Etch Inc.
- 1. Global Reach Network Inc.
- 1. Liqui-Mark Corp.
- 1. LogoIncluded Inc.
- 1. Marketing Promotion Image
- 1. Tonata Enterprise

COUNSELOR DISTRIBUTOR CHOICE AWARDS

OFFICE & DESK ITEMS

Ariel Premium Supply Bic Graphic USA Bullet Line Crown Products Gold Bond Hit Promotional Products Jetline Leed's Pictureframes.net Target Industries 3M/Promotional Markets Dept. Journalbooks/Timeplanner Calendars

PENCILS & ERASERS

Aakron Rule Corp The Bentcil Co. Bic Graphic USA Economy Pen & Pencil Co. Hub Pen Co. Larlu Liqui-Mark Corp. Markon Pen & Pencil Goldstar Sanders Mfg. Co. Shepenco/Shelbyville Pencil Co. Souvenir/Norwood

PENS

Bel Incorporated

Bic Graphic USA Bullet Line Crown Products Gold Bond Hit Promotional Products Hub Pen Co. Jetline Leed's Souvenir/Norwood Target Industries Journalbooks/Timeplanner Calendars

PICTURE FRAMES

Affinity Fine Business Accessories Barlow/Norwood Benchmark Industries DIGISPEC Econ-O-Line/Norwood G P Mktg. International Illini Magnet Marketing Promotion Image Pictureframes.net Quikey Mfg. Co. Tonata Enterprise

IIII▶ New SAFETY PRODUCTS

Atteff International Bay State Specialty Co. **Buztronics** ERB Safety & Fame Fabrics Garyline Pillowline/Norwood Promovision Palomino

Ready 4 Kits SafeHaven Products

Vitronic Promotional Group

SHOPPING BAGS

APF Mktg. Advantage Bag Co. American Ad Bag Co. Bag Makers BamBams Metropak Noteworthy Co. Pacific Western Sales Red Wing Bags Vonco Products

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SPORTS & OUTDOORS

Bel Incorporated Chulani Promotional Products Dixie Seal & Stamp Co. **ETS Express** Garyline Gold Bond Megafast Moderne Glass Co. Perfect Promotional Products RCC Koozie/Norwood Rad-O-Koolz/Coolergraphics

STRESS RELIEVERS

Ad-Line Industries Alpi International Ariel Premium Supply Galaxy Balloons Golden Applexx Co. Jetline Launch Group Corp. Nu Promo International Perfect Promotional Products Pillowline/Norwood Prime Line **Target Industries**

TOWELS & ROBES

Agua Promotions Ball Pro Gold Bond Apollo Embroidery Pro Towels Etc. Suntex Industries Tee Off/Norwood **Towel Specialties** Wasatch Tees of Atlanta

TOYS

Animal Fair Ariel Premium Supply Chulani Promotional Products Clegg Industries Essef Distributors Garyline Illini It's All Greek To Me Jetline Pictureframes.net Prime Line Steven Smith/Stuffed Animals

UMBRELLAS Ad Products Bazaar

Avaline Peerless Umbrella Co. Rainkist Umbrella Co. Redline Sanders Mfg. Co. Stromberg Brand Toppers Vitronic Promotional Group Windbrella Products Corp.

USB DRIVES All-In-One

G P Mktg. International Global Reach Network Golden Applexx Co. JMTek KTS KTI Networks Leed's Pingline Prime Line Superx Promo Tempo Industries

WEARABLES - CAPS & HATS

Bodek and Rhodes **Dynamic Solutions** Lewtan Industries Corp. Otto International RCC Koozie/Norwood S & S Activewear SanMar Staton Corporate and Casual Toppers Vantage Apparel Virginia T's Vitronic Promotional Group

WEARABLES - DECORATED

Blue Generation Boxercraft Charles River Apparel Cincinnati Line/Wear Magic Cutter & Buck Dunbrooke Edwards Garment Co. Hartwell Classic Apparel PremiumWear **Towel Specialties** Tri-Mountain/Mountain Gear Vantage Apparel

WEARABLES - SHIRTS

Ash City Bodek and Rhodes Broder Par One Pro Golf Premiums S & S Activewear SanMar Staton Corporate and Casual Colorado Timberline Tri-Mountain/Mountain Gear Vantage Apparel Virginia T's

WEARABLES - WOMEN'S Ash City

Bodek and Rhodes Broder Dunbrooke Heritage Sportswear S & S Activewear SanMar Staton Corporate and Casual Colorado Timberline Tri-Mountain/Mountain Gear Vantage Apparel Virginia T's

WEARABLES - ALL OTHER

Ash City Bodek and Rhodes Broder Lewtan Industries Corp. Otto International Par One Pro Golf Premiums S & S Activewear SanMar Colorado Timberline Towel Specialties Vantage Apparel

HEAD OF THE CLASS

Ouality

Here are the top suppliers based on quality ratings by distributors. The first eight suppliers tied with perfect ratings.

- 1. Awardcraft
- 1. ERB Safety & Fame Fabrics
- 1. Encore Etch Inc.
- 1. Global Reach Network Inc.
- 1. Liqui-Mark Corp.
- LogoIncluded Inc.
- 1. Water Promotions Inc.
- 1. Windbrella Products Corp.
- 2. Cutter & Buck
- 2. Magna-Plus Inc.
- 2. Perfect Match International

Communication

The ability to communicate effectively with customers can obviously endear a supplier to their clients. Here are the highest-rated suppliers in the area of communication:

- 1. AmeriCAL Inc.
- 1. Encore Etch Inc.
- 1. Global Reach Network Inc.
- 1. Liqui-Mark Corp.
- 1. LogoIncluded Inc.
- 2. Water Promotions Inc.
- 3. Animal Fair
- 3. G P Marketing International LTD
- 3. Magna-Plus Inc.
- 3. National Balloon
- 3. Superior Adv & Marketing Inc.