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## CMTC Clients Receive Prestigious Export Achievement Awards at 90th Annual World Trade Week Kickoff Breakfast

**TORRANCE, CA** – At the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual World Trade Week Kickoff Breakfast on May 3<sup>rd</sup> in downtown Los Angeles, two clients of California Manufacturing Technology Consulting<sup>®</sup> (CMTC) were honored. <u>Micronova Manufacturing, Inc.</u> in Torrance and <u>Combustion</u> <u>Associates, Inc.</u> in Corona both received the Export Achievement award.

More than 700 people attended the kickoff breakfast with keynote speaker Alan F. Horn, Chairman, The Walt Disney Studios, Mayor Eric Garcetti, U.S. Representative Ed Royce, and Emcee David Ono, Co-Anchor of ABC News.

Representatives from the private sector, government, economic development agencies and trade representatives from over 80 countries attended the largest event yet.

<u>Micronova</u>, recognizing the need for tools to address critical cleaning functions in aerospace and military installations developed a range of cleanroom mops, wipers and detergents to serve the emerging cleanroom industry. All manufacturing is carried out at their Torrance facility with products sold into cleanroom facilities worldwide.

"Our team is very excited to have received this prestigious award," stated Deborah Leonard, VP & Manager – Europe, at Micronova Manufacturing, Inc.

Micronova completed CMTC's ExporTech<sup>™</sup> Program that assists manufacturers in developing and implementing an export strategy. This program has further increased their already substantial export sales and aided Micronova in building new markets in Europe, India and the Pacific Rim.

<u>Combustion Associates, Inc.</u> offers a wide array of packaged combustion and gas turbinepower generation systems, both skid-mounted and stationary, which are cost-effective and energy-efficient without compromising quality or effectiveness. Combustion Associates has realized significant sales growth across global markets. "CMTC's assistance made it possible for our company to apply and be selected for this Export achievement award," added Kusum Kavia, President, Combustion Associates, Inc.

For 90 years, World Trade Week (WTW), an initiative of the L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce, has been the most extensive and unique program of its kind in the country. WTW dedicates itself to educating the public on the importance and benefits of global trade to the local and national economy through a series of educational programs and events. World Trade Week (WTW) is celebrated throughout the month of May with more than 30 events hosted by partnering organizations in Southern California.

"We were honored to join our colleges at the kickoff breakfast for World Trade Week to recognize the contribution international trade makes to Southern California. We were excited to see two of our clients receive Export Achievement awards," stated <u>Jim Watson, President and CEO of CMTC.</u>

## ABOUT CMTC

A private, nonprofit corporation established in 1992, CMTC is the Southern California affiliate of NIST MEP, under the Federal Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) program, a network of more than 60 centers across the country that provides assistance to small, medium and large manufacturers. CMTC serves Fresno to San Diego/Imperial County. For more information, visit <u>www.cmtc.com</u> or follow us <u>on LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>. Subscribe to our manufacturing network blog at <u>http://www.cmtc.com/blog</u>

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