



IT Executives of the Year Awards Nomination Form

January 1, 2009

Dear IT Professional,

As part of the NW CIO Summit and InnoTech – Oregon's business and technology innovation conference, the 6th Annual 'IT Executives of the Year' awards for the public and private sectors will be awarded. As the premier conference and event for senior IT executives and thought leaders in the NW, this award recognizes local IT executives and their efforts to innovate and contribute to their organizations and the IT community.

We encourage you to take an active role in selecting the recipients of this award by taking a moment to nominate an exceptional IT executive for his/her innovative work and effort. As an IT professional, your input toward the selection of the IT Executives of the Year is very important to the continued advancement of technology in Oregon and SW Washington.

This year's recipients will have demonstrated:

- a) The successful implementation of innovative technology
- b) Active participation in enhancing his/her organization's competitive advantage
- c) Leadership in the IT community

Please take a few minutes to read the enclosed nomination form and select a peer or colleague who you feel is deserving of this year's award based on the criteria provided. The deadline for submitting nominations is March 27, 2009. The winner will be announced April 23rd at the awards reception at InnoTech, immediately following the NW CIO Summit.

Past IT Executives of the Year include:

2008 – Jackie Barretta, Con-Way & John Margaronis, Oregon Lottery

2007 – Dennis Sato, Salem Regional Hospital & Ben Berry, ODOT, State of Oregon

2006 - Matthew Calais, Legacy Health Systems & Curt Pederson, Oregon State University

2005 - Nancy Cox, Intel & Mark Gregory, Portland State University

2004 - Gordon Steele, Nike & Dave White, State of Oregon, ODOT

Who will be this year's winners?

Whether you choose to nominate or not, mark your calendars to attend a VIP reception honoring the IT Executives of the Year, to be held at the Oregon Convention Center on Thursday, April 23rd at 4:30pm. Additionally, CIOs, VPs of IT and executive level IT professionals are encouraged to attend the NW CIO Summit on Thursday, April 23rd prior to the awards reception.

Sincerely,

Dave Weber
CIO
NW Natural
2009 NW CIO Summit Chairperson

2009 IT EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATION FORM

(Nominations due by April 1, 2009)

Thank you on behalf of your nominee for taking the time to submit this nomination. Please use the following helpful information to complete your nomination.

- Each nominee must be a current or recent senior Information Technology executive in an Oregon or SW Washington company, government agency, educational institution or non-profit organization.
- Activities for which the individual is nominated must have been completely or substantially accomplished successfully during 2008.

The judges will only have the information you provide upon which to base their assessment. So please be as complete and as specific in your answers as possible. You may attach as many additional pages as necessary to make your answers as thorough as possible.

- The numbers in parentheses after each question indicate the weight (out of a possible 100 points) that will be applied to that question.
- If you have any questions on how to complete this nomination, please call Sean Lowery at 503-570-6295 or e-mail seanl@prosperaevents.com.
- You may nominate more than one individual. As a thank you and incentive for returning the completed quality form, one nominator will receive an iPod Nano via random drawing.
(Note: A winner will be selected and recognized at the awards ceremony. One each from the public and private sectors will be awarded runner-up and IT Executive of the Year.)
- Please return the nomination form via e-mail to seanl@prosperaevents.com, mail to Sean Lowery, IT Executive of the Year, PO Box 4068, Wilsonville, OR 97070, or via fax to 1-866-232-1675, no later than **April 1, 2009**.

NOMINEE:

Name _____ Company/Organization _____
Title _____
Address _____
Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____
E-Mail Address _____
CEO of Nominee: _____ CEO Phone Number: _____

NOMINATED BY:

Name _____ Company _____
Title _____
Address _____
Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____
E-Mail Address _____

IT Executive of the Year Award

_____ should be considered for the IT Executive of the Year Award because, as the following evidence shows, he/she has been able to:

1. Strengthen the competitive position of their organization's product or service via the innovative use of technology. (30)

2. Create an entirely new information-based product or service. (10)

3. Significantly transform the way their organization conducts business as demonstrated by its commitment to improved customer service or vendor relationships. (15)

4. Increase the efficiency and effectiveness of their organization. (10)

5. Improve their organization's capacity to manage quality through improved measurements, more responsive corrective actions and more effective preventative processes. (10)

6. Align information technology to business strategy; moving from reactive to proactive. (15)

7. Demonstrate leadership in the IT community. (10)

8. Additional comments:
