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2nd Women in Manufacturing STEP Awards Recognize Women for Excellence in Manufacturing

The Manufacturing Institute Will Honor Tanya DiSalvo, President, at Criterion Tool

Washington, DC, January 6, 2014: *The Manufacturing Institute announced they will award Tanya DiSalvo with the Women in Manufacturing STEP (Science, Technology, Engineering and Production) Award. The STEP Awards honor women who have demonstrated excellence and leadership in their careers and represent all levels of the manufacturing industry, from the factory-floor to the C suite.*

“Being passionate about manufacturing is about always pushing the envelope. Motivating the team to rise to every challenge and tackle the toughest jobs on sophisticated equipment to solve customer issues. I love the challenge of getting Team Criterion to think outside the box, every day, to provide a solution.” Tanya DiSalvo

“These 160 women are the faces of exciting careers in manufacturing,” said Jennifer McNelly, president, The Manufacturing Institute. “We chose to honor these women because they each made significant achievements in manufacturing through positive impact on their company and the industry as a whole. “The STEP Awards are part of the larger STEP Ahead initiative launched to examine and promote the role of women in the manufacturing industry through recognition, research, and best practices for attracting, advancing, and retaining strong female talent.

A recent survey from Deloitte and The Manufacturing Institute found that nearly 70 percent of American manufacturing companies have a moderate to severe shortage of available, qualified workers.

On February 6, The Manufacturing Institute will recognize 160 recipients of the STEP Awards at a reception in Washington, D.C. The STEP Awards program will highlight each honoree’s story, including their leadership and accomplishments in manufacturing.

About Criterion Tool

Criterion Tool is “highly engineered precision-machined components”. We support the “no failure” industries of medical device, aerospace, defense, electronics, nuclear and photonics. Criterion Tool’s niche is in the imaginative manufacturing of prototype and production components for Class II and Class III medical devices and precision high tech defense/photonics components for development, testing, proof of concept and clinical trials. For more information, please visit www.criteriontool.com.

About The Manufacturing Institute

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