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Call for Entries for 12th Annual AWS Image of Welding Awards

*****Deadline for Submissions is July 31, 2014*****

MIAMI, Fla., February 3, 2014 – The American Welding Society (AWS) is once again searching for the best and brightest stars in the welding community, and has issued a call for entries for the 12th Annual Image of Welding Awards.

The awards recognize and celebrate outstanding public contributions to the welding industry. The deadline for entries is July 31, 2014.

The Image of Welding Awards is open to all welding industry professionals. The awards are presented by AWS, the world's largest organization dedicated to advancing the science, technology and application of welding, and by WEMCO, an association of welding manufacturers, and a standing committee of AWS.

Awards are issued in a number of categories. All individuals, organizations and groups may be nominated for multiple categories. Self-nominations are also acceptable. Winners will be presented with their respective awards at the Image of Welding Awards Ceremony, which is held during the FABTECH show on November 11-13, 2014 at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Ga.

The Image of Welding Awards program recognizes outstanding achievement in the following categories:

- Individual (you or other individual)
- Educator (welding teacher at an institution, facility, etc.)
- Educational Facility (organization that conducts welding education or training)
- Small Business (less than 200 employees)
- Large Business (200 or more employees)
- Distributor (welding products)
- AWS Section (AWS local chapter)
- Media (industry and business publications)

To see past Image of Welding Award winners, and submit a nomination, visit

<http://www.aws.org/awards/image.html>.

For inquiries, contact AWS toll-free at 800-443-9353.

About AWS

The American Welding Society (AWS) was founded in 1919 as a multifaceted, nonprofit organization with a mission to advance the science, technology and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes worldwide, including brazing, soldering, and thermal spraying. Headquartered in Doral, Florida, and led by a volunteer organization of officers and directors, AWS serves nearly 70,000 members worldwide and is composed of 22 Districts with 250 Sections and student chapters. For more information, visit the society's website at <http://www.aws.org> and click on "Pressroom."

About WEMCO

In 1996, the American Welding Society established WEMCO as a Standing Committee dedicated to providing a common voice to the welding industry, government bodies and technical organizations worldwide. Today, this committee, representing manufacturers making products for welding processes and applications, provides valued added information and services to end users, distributors and manufacturers in the welding industry.