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Bachelor Controls Nominated for American Business Ethics Award

Robert Schumann of Society for Financial Service Professionals nominates BCI for business ethics award

SABETHA, Kan. (June 10, 2004) — Bachelor Controls, Inc. (BCI) — a leading provider of control and systems integration solutions to manufacturers — has been nominated for the 2004 American Business Ethics Award (ABEA) by Robert Schumann, CLU,ChFC, of Focus Financial Advisors. Schumann currently serves as president of the Northeast Kansas (Topeka) Chapter of the Society of Financial Service Professionals. This annual award program was founded in 1994 to recognize companies that exemplify high standards of ethical behavior in the conduct of their everyday business and in response to specific crises or challenges.

“We are honored to be considered for this award,” said BCI President Ray Bachelor. “We strive to earn the trust and confidence of our customers, and good ethical practices form the foundation of our efforts.”

Focus Financial Advisors Principal Robert Schumann said, “The Northeast Kansas (Topeka) Chapter of the Society of Financial Service Professionals feels it is important to recognize companies that represent the ethics ideals of our organization, and Bachelor Controls fits the criteria.”

Now celebrating its 11th year, the ABEA program embodies the Society's longstanding commitment to fostering sound business ethics in insurance and financial services, especially among its worldwide membership. The awards are presented in three categories: large companies with over 2,500 employees, mid-sized companies with 250 - 2,500 employees and small companies with fewer than 250 employees. Bachelor Controls is nominated in the small company category. Entries are evaluated by a distinguished, independent panel of judges who represent business, academia, public service, media, consulting and the ethics community.

Recipients of the 2004 ABEA will receive their awards at a ceremony to be held in October in Tampa, Florida at the site of Financial Service Forum, the Society's annual conference. Past ABEA recipients include: Kiplinger; Pitney Bowes; O.C. Tanner; Starbucks Coffee Company; Lockheed Martin Corp.; Texas Instruments, Inc.; Levi Strauss & Company; Merck & Company; Weyerhaeuser Company; and the 2003 award recipients, Hewlett-Packard Company, Beaman Automotive Group and Kuhn & Wittenborn Advertising.

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About Focus Financial Advisors — Robert Schumann, Principal

Focus Financial Advisors is available to handle all your financial and insurance needs. Robert Schumann, CLU,ChFC, has over XX years of experience providing long-term financial investment and insurance guidance. For more information, call 785.284.2107.

About Bachelor Controls, Inc.

Bachelor Controls, Inc. (BCI) is a leading provider of control and systems integration solutions to manufacturers with focused experience in the feed and grain, food processing, and petfood industries. BCI is recognized for the development of *BCI AUTOPILOT*[™] — the industry's first and most advanced automated cooking extrusion control system available. Specialties include high-end batching systems, cooking extrusion, modified starch processes, bulk material transport, material handling systems, and Manufacturing Execution Systems (MES) solutions. BCI has been recognized as a Charter Rockwell Automation Solution Provider, Microsoft Certified Partner, and charter member of the CSIA Registered Member/Gold Tier Group. BCI is a licensed engineering firm located in Sabetha, Kansas and the Kansas City metro area. To learn more, visit www.bachelorcontrols.com or contact media@bachelorcontrols.com.