



Bachelor Controls Named 2008 System Integrator of the Year

BCI wins 2008 Control Engineering System Integrator of the Year Award

SABETHA, Kan. (December 12, 2007) — Bachelor Controls, Inc. (BCI) – a leading provider of systems integration solutions – has been named *Control Engineering* magazine’s 2008 System Integrator of the Year in the “Up to \$10 Million Annual Revenue” category.

“The System Integrator of the Year award is an innovative competition organized by one of the leading industry publications, and we are honored to be selected as System Integrator of the Year,” said Ray Bachelor, president of Bachelor Controls. “This award is a testament to our project methodologies, financial stability and depth of service. As we celebrate our 25th year in business, we are thankful to our clients who have trusted us to guide them through the risk associated with automating their systems and processes.”

The 2008 System Integrator of the Year award was designed and administered by *Control Engineering* Consulting Editor Dr. Vance VanDoren. VanDoren worked with the Control System Integrators Association (CSIA) and other industry leaders to judge entries from system integrators from all over the world. Submitting system integration firms were split into three categories, based on annual revenue.

“According to our panel of judges,” said VanDoren, “winners of the 2008 *Control Engineering* System Integrator of the Year best demonstrated their value in terms of technical expertise, business skills, and customer satisfaction.”

Walt Kozikowski, industry director for the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) and a judge for this competition, noted in his review, “Bachelor Controls focuses on institutionalized continuous process improvement and the development of a close relationship with customers, which demonstrates their desire to provide the best integration solutions possible.”

The 2008 winner of the “\$10 to \$25 Million Annual Revenue” category was Matrix Technologies, Inc. of Maumee, Ohio, and Honeywell Process Solutions of Phoenix, Arizona, won the “Over \$25 Million Annual Revenue” category.

In 2007, Bachelor Controls, Inc. was a Finalist in the “Up to \$10 Million Annual Revenue” category.

About the *Control Engineering* Automation Integrator Guide

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Every year since 1993, *Control Engineering* magazine has published the “Automation Integrator Guide,” a compilation of resources for industrial automation and control projects. The supplement consists of more than 1,400 system integrators, consultants, and contract engineering firms that can design and install custom automation systems. The Automation Integrator Guide is compiled by Vance VanDoren, PhD, PE, *Control Engineering* consulting editor for system integration and president of VanDoren Industries, Inc., a market research firm covering system integration and industrial process controls. For more information, visit www.controleng.com/integrators or contact Dr. VanDoren at vance@control.com or 765.296.7600.

About CONTROL SYSTEM INTEGRATORS ASSOCIATION (CSIA)

CONTROL SYSTEM INTEGRATORS ASSOCIATION (CSIA) is in its second decade of “helping good system integrators become better business people.” Members gain the power of the association's broader presence and its insights into the best business and project management practices for the automation and IT domains. CSIA is committed to the business development of control system integration companies and their implementation of best practices in order to provide a healthy, low-risk channel for the application of technology to industrial clients. CSIA’s landmark Certified Member Program provides an industry-specific means for end users to identify areas of importance and minimize uncertainties in selecting a system integrator. This program also offers a framework for integrators to evaluate and continuously improve their own businesses. For more information, visit www.controlsys.org or contact Norm O'Leary, CSIA executive director, at execdir@controlsys.org or 800.661.4914.

About Bachelor Controls, Inc.

Bachelor Controls, Inc. (BCI) is a leading provider of control and systems integration solutions with focused experience in the food and beverage, petfood / aquaculture, pharmaceutical, plastics, specialty chemicals, ethanol / alcohol, oil and gas pipeline, and feed and grain industries. Founded in 1983, Bachelor Controls has been recognized as a Charter CSIA Certified Member, Charter Rockwell Automation Solution Provider, and Microsoft Certified Partner. To learn more, visit www.bachelorcontrols.com or contact media@bachelorcontrols.com or 785.284.3482.