

Ballard Recognizes Top Suppliers of 2009

- Elite and Preferred Suppliers enable smarter solutions for a clean energy future
- These suppliers excel in terms of quality, delivery, responsiveness and cost / value

Ballard Power Systems has announced the names of suppliers that have achieved Elite and Preferred Supplier status for 2009. Elite and Preferred Suppliers are those that have demonstrated a continued ability to meet Ballard's supplier performance expectations in terms of exemplary quality, on-time delivery, an ongoing focus on cost reduction, as well as the highest level of customer service and satisfaction.

In producing fuel cell stacks, power modules and power systems, Ballard measures four key performance criteria in its Supplier Performance Management System (SPMS): quality, delivery, responsiveness, and cost / value.

"Our suppliers are integral to Ballard's ability to rapidly advance commercialization of fuel cells in a range of applications," said David Whyte, Ballard's Director of Supply Chain. "We look to suppliers to deliver growing volumes of critical materials reliably, in a timely fashion and with a sharp focus on cost, enhancing our ability to compete with incumbent solutions. As a result, we are able to offer fuel cell products that deliver tangible performance, economic and environmental advantages over conventional power or alternative energy sources."

2009 ELITE SUPPLIERS

Suppliers that achieve near 100% SPMS scores are recognized as Elite Suppliers. This status is reserved for those companies that have also demonstrated technological leadership in developing fuel cell technology and/or contributed significantly toward commercialization of our products. **DuPont Fuel Cells** of Wilmington, Delaware and **Tanaka Kikinokoku Group** of Tokyo, Japan earned Ballard Elite Supplier status in 2009.

2009 PREFERRED SUPPLIERS

Suppliers that are awarded Preferred Supplier status have consistently achieved composite SPMS scores greater than 85%. Those being recognized for achieving Ballard Preferred Supplier status in 2009 are -

- **DNA Data Networking**, Burnaby, BC
- **Johnson Matthey Fuel Cells**, West Chester, PA
- **Ogura Industrial Corporation**, Somerset, NJ (parent company **Ogura Clutch Co. Ltd.**, Japan)
- **Pathway Design**, Burnaby, BC
- **Surtek Industries**, Surrey, BC
- **Wacker Chemical Corporation**, Adrian, MI
- **Gore Fuel Cell Technologies**, Elkton, MD

About Ballard Power Systems

Ballard Power Systems (TSX: BLD; NASDAQ: BLDP) provides clean energy fuel cell products enabling optimized power systems for a range of applications. To learn more about Ballard, please visit www.ballard.com.