

One of only two companies to receive the award twice

Tech Wins President's E Star Award



Company executives along with family members are shown at the Herbert C. Hoover building in Washington DC shortly after receiving the award from Deputy Secretary of Commerce, Dr. Rebecca Blank. From left, Hannah Layne, Harlie Layne, Tech International's Marketing Manager Carol Rice, Company President Dan Layne, Director Nikki Layne and Master Daniel Layne.

Washington DC-Monday May 20 Tech International received the Presidents's E-Star Award for Excellence in Exporting.

The President's "E" Award was created by Executive Order of the President on December 5, 1961, to afford suitable recognition to persons, firms, or organizations which contribute significantly in the effort to increase United States exports.

The President's "E Star" Award, which was authorized by the Secretary of Commerce on

August 4, 1969, affords continuing recognition of noteworthy export promotion efforts.

History of the "E" Awards:

During World War II, more than 4,000 "E Pennants" were presented to war plants in recognition of production excellence. The famous flag with the big "E" emblazoned on it became a badge of patriotism in action.

President Kennedy revived the World War II "E" symbol of excellence to honor and provide recognition to America's exporters.

Tech International, based in Johnstown Ohio, is the world leader in manufacturing tire repair materials and chemical products. Tech is one of only two companies ever to have been awarded the President's "E" Star award twice. Tech was honored in 1981 with the "E" Award and then in 1987 with the "E Star" award.

Deputy Secretary of Commerce, Dr. Rebecca Blank in her prepared remarks mentioned this remarkable achievement of Tech International before the other 57 winners in attendance at the ceremony.