



24th Annual
2008 Governor's Industry Appreciation Awards
HONOREE AWARD CRITERIA

To be recognized as an “honoree”, companies must meet the following requirements:

A) Nominee companies must be a northern Nevada company whose industry is consistent with the Nevada State Plan for Economic Diversification and Development. The company must be a business that creates primary jobs and whose primary market extends beyond the state's border. Examples include:

Business & Financial Services
Software
Clean Energy
Advanced Manufacturing
Advanced Logistics/Distribution

Life Sciences
Business & Technology Services
Tourism & Hospitality
Regional Health Services
Bio-Agriculture

B) NEW BRANCH / FACILITY, STARTUP, or RELOCATION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Urban areas: a company must expect to create at least **10 new** jobs within the first 12 months of operation.
2. Rural areas: a company must expect to create at least **6 new** jobs within the first 12 months of operation.
3. Business must be **operational in Nevada by June 30, 2008.**
4. Must pass a **background test** for compliance with state law and regulations, good ethics and fair business practices, and other attributes that classify them as good corporate citizens. (background check conducted by NNDA/EDAWN staff)

OR

C) EXPANSION COMPANY REQUIREMENTS:

1. An existing Nevada company must increase primary employment by at least **20 percent** of its total employment, with a minimum of **10 new** employees.
2. An existing company that has made a significant investment in new equipment, expanded existing facility or opened another facility within the region.
3. Expansion completed **by June 30, 2008.**
4. Must pass a **background test** for compliance with state law and regulations, good ethics and fair business practices, and other attributes that classify them as good corporate citizens to the State of Nevada. (background check conducted by NNDA/EDAWN/ staff)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS August 8, 2008

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations are accepted from individuals, companies or regional development organizations within the company's area of location. The prescribed honoree nomination form must be completed in full and submitted by the specified deadline – visit www.giaa20808.com or call (775) 883-4413 to obtain the form.

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