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MASS TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ANNOUNCES FIRST GROUP OF FINALISTS FOR THE 2009 TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Burlington, Mass., – June 26, 2009 – The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc. has announced the first group of finalists of the Council's annual Technology Leadership Awards. Honoring Massachusetts companies and individuals who best exemplify leadership and excellence in business and technology, the Technology Leadership Awards recognize outstanding achievement in both the development and deployment of technologies.

The first group of Finalists for the Awards program, announced on June 25, 2009, were in the following categories: Private Sector Company; Public Sector Organization; CEO; Innovator; and CIO of the year.

2009 Private Sector Company Finalists

- Glasshouse Technologies
- Pegasystems
- Phase Forward
- Starent Networks
- Turbine

2009 Public Sector Organization

- Babson College
- City of Boston - MIS Department
- Town of Brookline
- WBUR

CEO of the year Finalists

- Colin Angle, Chairman, CEO and Co-Founder, iRobot
- Brian Halligan, CEO and Founder, HubSpot
- David Patrick, President and CEO, xkoto
- Michael Simon, CEO, LogMeln
- Brian Zanghi, CEO, Kadient

2009 Innovator Award Finalists

- danah boyd, Berkman Center
- Rich Miner, VP Mobile, Google
- Timothy Rowe, CEO, Cambridge Innovation Center
- Dharmesh Shah, Chief Technology Officer and Founder, HubSpot

CIO of the Year

- George Brenckle, CIO, UMass Memorial Health Center
- Bill Fandrich, CIO, Blue Cross Blue Shield Massachusetts
- Jay Leader, CIO, iRobot
- Anne Margulies, CIO, Commonwealth
- John Polizzi, CIO, BJ's

“We are very excited to announce this year’s first set of nominees, who have set themselves apart by exemplifying the spirit of innovation and the future promise that define the Massachusetts technology community,” said Tom Hopcroft, president of the Mass Technology Leadership Council.

The next group of finalists will be announced on July 16, 2009, in the following categories: Emerging Innovative Company, CTO, Investor and Emerging Executive of the year.

More than 160 submissions were received during the open nomination process. Council Trustees, local thought leaders and media were involved with the selection process. The winners will be announced at the Fall Awards Gala, Thursday, November 5 at the Copley Marriott.

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The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc. is the only association that addresses the critical leadership issues of innovative software and technology-enabled companies. Formed by the combination of Massachusetts Software Council and New England Business and Technology Association, Inc., the organization is dedicated to fostering entrepreneurship and promoting the success of companies that develop and deploy technology across industry sectors. The Mass Technology Leadership Council conducts educational programs, hosts industry events, facilitates networking, sponsors research, advocates in favor of technology policies that promote innovation, entrepreneurship and competition, and recognizes industry-leading companies and people.

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