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ABI's Elevate Iowa to Name Legends in Manufacturing

DES MOINES, Iowa – The Iowa Association of Business and Industry (ABI) and Elevate Advanced Manufacturing will recognize four manufacturing leaders on October 2, 2024, at its annual Legends in Manufacturing awards program, as part of ABI's Iowa Manufacturing Conference.

The four Legends in Manufacturing awardees were chosen out of many nominations for their contributions to Iowa's largest industry by displaying leadership in their companies and by engaging in activities supporting manufacturing.

The following individuals, companies and organizations are the 2024 Legends in Manufacturing awardees and will be recognized during lunch on October 2:

- Under 100 Employees: Hernan Etcheto, Nutriom (Panora)
- 100-300 Employees: Gary Sharp, Advanced Heat Treat Corporation (Waterloo)
- 300+ Employees: John Lisle, Lisle Corporation & EZ Way Inc. (Clarinda)

"We are proud to recognize another group of outstanding leaders in Iowa manufacturing," said Mike Ralston, ABI President. "Their innovation, dedication to their business, and leadership set a high standard for the industry, not just in Iowa but across the nation."

To learn more and view past award recipients, visit: <https://www.iowaabi.org/elevate-iowa/legends-in-manufacturing-awards/>

For more information about the Iowa Manufacturing Conference and a detailed agenda, visit www.iowaabi.org/abimfg.

Media inquiries and pre-event interviews are encouraged. Media is also welcome to attend the event.

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About the Iowa Association of Business and Industry (ABI): The Iowa Association of Business and Industry (ABI) has been the voice of Iowa business since 1903. Its mission is to provide a strong, unified voice to business and industry on issues affecting Iowa employers. ABI is comprised of member companies representing all industries and sizes in Iowa's 99 counties. ABI members employ more than 330,000 Iowans.

About Elevate Advanced Manufacturing: Elevate Advanced Manufacturing is a statewide, integrated marketing initiative of the ABI Foundation to promote careers and educational pathways in advanced manufacturing. Learn more at www.elevateiowa.com.