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MACNY ANNOUNCES GARY STEVENS AS INNOVATOR OF THE YEAR *Stevens to be recognized at MACNY's 102nd Annual Dinner*

Syracuse, New York- MACNY, The Manufacturers Association today announced that Gary Stevens of SRCTec was selected as the 2015 MACNY Innovator of the Year. For the last nine years, Gary has served as SRCTec's Assistant Vice President of Operations. He was nominated by his colleague, SRCTec President Drew James.

James stated, "Gary's ability to lead, coach, and mentor set him apart from other leaders in the industry. Throughout his tenure, Gary has played a critical role in helping SRCTec remain agile and innovative to meet our customer's needs, and develop people such that they will establish a culture of continuous improvement and operational excellence. While Gary has a wealth of technical capability and a multitude of successful projects that have contributed to operational excellence at SRCTec, his most valuable innovation is his style of leadership that he exhibits on a daily basis."

Throughout his nine year career at SRCTec, Gary has led several highly successful change management efforts within their manufacturing, all in the pursuit of Operations Excellence. Gary joined the company in 2006, during the commencement of CREW Duke, SRCTec's counter IED system project. Under Gary's leadership, within three years, output grew from less than one hundred systems a month to more than 1500 systems monthly, and \$2B in revenue for SRCTec over the next five years.

James concludes in his nomination, "Gary has dedicated himself to the development of others and ensuring that people on his team are maximizing their potential. Gary truly believes that what will make manufacturing successful at SRCTec are the people and their ability to communicate, think objectively, and have an undying pursuit of perfection."

The MACNY Innovator of the Year Award, sponsored by Corning, Inc. was created at the suggestion of MACNY member Executives and CEOs, as a way to nominate and recognize individuals within a company who, although they may not be at the executive level, consistently demonstrate forward thinking ideas in the areas of technology, innovation and advancement of products and production. Stevens was nominated by his employer on behalf of everyone at SRCTec.

"On behalf of MACNY, I would like to extend my congratulations to Gary and SRCTec on the receipt of this well-deserved honor," stated MACNY President Randy Wolken. "We were pleased to receive nominations for many well-qualified candidates who are considered outstanding innovators by their

peers and colleagues. Gary has demonstrated forward thinking skills, an ability to take a challenge and address it head on, and deliver much needed results that have allowed for record sales and growth. On behalf of the MACNY membership, we look forward to recognizing Gary and his many achievements at MACNY's 102nd Annual Dinner."

As part of MACNY's tradition, Stevens will be honored as part of MACNY's 102nd Annual Dinner, in front of SRCTec colleagues and an audience of over 500 manufacturers and business leaders from Central and Upstate New York. The dinner will be held at the Syracuse OnCenter on May 21st, 2015. For tickets or additional information, please contact Debbie Sindone at 315.474.4201 ext 24, or dsindone@macny.org.

MACNY, the Manufacturers Association, represents over 330 companies in a 33 county region in Upstate New York. The 102-year-old organization provides human resource services, training, purchasing solutions, networking opportunities and advocacy support for its members. For more information, please visit www.macny.org.

