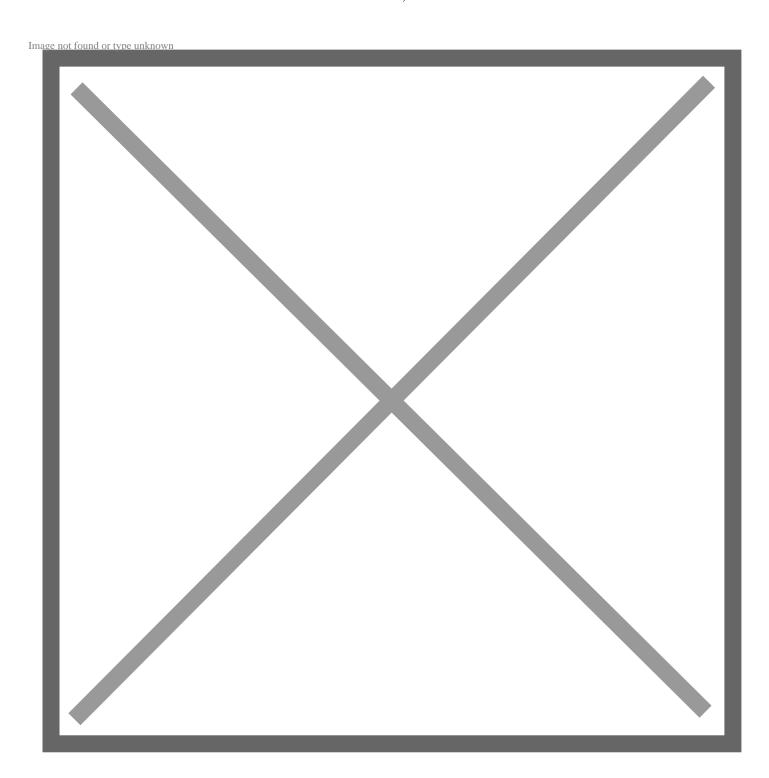
# Toyota Recognizes Top North American Suppliers for 2013

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ERLANGER, Ky. (March 12, 2014) – Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, Inc. (TEMA) awarded three suppliers with top honors based on their 2013 performance. Johnson Controls, Inc., OTICS USA, Inc. and TAIHO MANUFACTURING OF TENNESSEE, LLC each took home a "Superior" supplier award at TEMA's annual business meeting, an annual gathering of companies that produce parts and materials for Toyota's 12 North American models.

Johnson Controls, Inc., headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., took home the prize for "Superior" performance in supplier diversity while OTICS USA, Inc., located in Morristown, Tenn. And TAIHO MANUFACTURING OF TENNESSEE, LLC, in Gordonsville, Tenn., each received superior awards for Quality performance.

Twenty-nine suppliers received "Excellent" awards for their performance in categories including supplier diversity, value improvement and quality performance. Launch performance awards were also given for the new models of Toyota's RAV4, Tundra and Corolla.

"Toyota works closely with each supplier partner to build our vehicles to the high-quality, safety and reliability standards our customers expect," said Robert Young, TEMA's purchasing vice president. "We were pleased to award those in our supply base who go above-and-beyond. This event emphasizes our mutual commitment with supplier partners to continuously improve to build "always better cars" in North America."

During the meeting, TEMA addressed business objectives and goals in preparation for the fiscal year beginning April 1. TEMA's President and CEO Simon Nagata attended, as well as presidents and other executives from Toyota's 14 North American manufacturing facilities.

Held at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington, the meeting brings together approximately 1,000 attendees from across North America.

Collectively, Toyota spends over \$32 billion on parts, goods and services in North America. In the U.S. alone, there are nearly 60,000 supplier jobs dedicated to Toyota across more than 30 states.

## **TEMA 2013 Supplier Award Recipients**

#### SUPPLIER DIVERSITY AWARDS

Awarded to suppliers who implement supplier diversity activities and exceed targets

Supplier	N.A. Corporate Location	Commodity	Award
Johnson Controls, Inc.	Milwaukee, Wis.	Seats, Overhead Console, Injection Molding, Headliner, Door Trim, Battery	Superior
Continental Automotive Systems	Auburn Hills, Mich.	Instrument Cluster Heater	Special Recognition of MBE Development
GENTEX CORPORATION	Zeeland, Mich.	1	Special Recognition of MBE Improvement

#### LAUNCH PERFORMANCE AWARDS

Awarded to suppliers who developed strategic launch plansand confirmed successful production

#### RAV4

Supplier	N.A. Plant Location	Commodity	Award
Aisin World Corp. of America	Stratford, Ontario, Canada	Sunroof	Excellent
JTEKT Automotive South Carolina	Piedmont, S.C.	Rear Half Shaft Assemblies	
Kawasaki Tennessee	Morristown, Tenn.	Engine Mount, Differential, Support Spacer	Excellent
Tenneco Cambridge	Cambridge, Ontario, Canada	Exhaust Assembly Parts	Excellent

## **Tundra**

Supplier	N.A. Plant Location	Commodity	Award
Toyoda Gosei Texas, LLC	San Antonio, Texas	Injection Moldings	Excellent

## Corolla

Supplier	N.A. Plant Location	Commodity	Award
Arvin Sango Canada Inc.	I Ondon Onfario Canada	Exhaust Pipe Weld Assembly	Excellent
CITIC Dicastal Co., Ltd.	Romulus, MI	17" Alloy Wheel	Excellent
FUEL TOTAL SYSTEMS CORPORATION	Lebanon, Ky.	Fuel Filler Pipe	Excellent
Johnson Controls, Inc.	Milton, Ontario, Canada	Seat Set	Excellent

# VALUE IMPROVEMENT AWARDS

Awarded to suppliers who excel in efforts to reduce total cost with innovative and creative ideas.

Supplier	N.A. Corporate Location	Commodity	Award	
Pioneer Automotive	Springboro, Ohio	Radio, Display Audio, Lexus	Excellent	
Technologies, Inc.	Springooro, Omo	Navigation, XM Radio Tuner	Excellent	
Sumitomo Electric Wiring	Bowling Green, Ky.	Heater control, Antennas,	Excellent	
Systems, Inc.	Bowing Green, Ky.	Body/Engine ECUs		
Toyoda Casai Namb		Steering Wheels, Injection Molding,		
Toyoda Gosei North America Corporation	Troy, Mich.	Weatherstrips, Interior Plastics,	Excellent	
America Corporation		Exterior Grills		

# **QUALITY PERFORMANCE AWARDS**

Supplier	N.A. Plant Location	Commodity	Awara
OTICS USA, Inc.	Morristown, Tenn.	Large Die Casting / Machining, Hot Forging	Super
TAIHO MANUFACTURING OF TENNESSEE, LLC.	Gordonsville, Tenn.	Seals / Gaskets	Super
ADVICS North America, Inc. ATTC Manufacturing, Inc.	Tell City, Ind.	Rotor / Drum	Excel
AGC Automotive Americas Co.	San Antonio, Tex.	Glass	Excell
Aisin Chemical Indiana, LLC	Crothersville, Ind.	AT Components	Excell
Blue Ridge Metals Corporation	Fletcher, N.C.	Hot Forging	Excell
CURTIS-MARUYASU AMERICA, INC.	Santa Claus, Ind.	Tubes	Excell
CURTIS-MARUYASU AMERICA, INC.	Lebanon, Ky.	Tubes	Excell
ELSA LLC	Elwood, Ind.	Fuel Tank, Plastic, Steel	Excell
ENGINEERED SINTERED COMPONENTS	Troutman, N.C.	Powder Metal-Engine	Excell
FUEL TOTAL SYSTEMS CORPORATION	Lebanon, Ky.	Fuel Filler, Fuel Tank, Plastic	Excell
Hayashi Canada Inc. (Hayashi Telempu North America Corporation)	Stratford, ON, Canada	Dash and Hood Insulators, Floor Carpet Assembly	Excel
HHI Forging LLC – FormTech Industries	Royal Oak, Mich.	Wheel Hubs	Excell
HHI Forging LLC – Impact Forge Group	Columbus, Ind.	Hot Forging	Excell
ITW Deltar Engineered Fasteners	Chippewa Falls, Wis.	Injection Molding, Injection Molded Fasteners	Excell
Reyes Amtex Automotive	San Antonio, Tex.	Dash and Hood Insulators, Floor Carpet Assembly	Excell
Somic America, Inc. ®	Brewer, Maine	Ball Joints, Stabilizer Links, Suspension Links	Excell
Sonoco Protective Solutions – Mt. Pleasant Plant (Hayashi Telempu North America Corporation)	Mt Pleasant, Tenn.	Dash Panel Insulator	Excell
Spartan Light Metal Products	Hannibal, Mo.	Large Die Casting/Machining	Excel
·	Penetanguishene, ON, Canada	Hinges	Excel
Toyoda Gosei Automotive Sealing Mexico	San Luis Potosi (MX)	Weatherstrips	Excell

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