



The ABEX Awards General Information

The ABEX Awards are open to all private sector (non-governmental), for profit, enterprises in Saskatchewan, whether large or small. A company may submit its own application or be sponsored by a third party (all third party nominations must be approved by an authorized representative of the sponsored company).

The business may be entered in more than one of the ABEX categories.

All applicants will automatically be entered into the “Business of the Year” category.

Once you have decided which categories the company is going to enter,

- ➔ Complete the Background Information
- ➔ Complete the entry form(s) corresponding to the categories you have chosen to enter.

Return the completed forms before **June 30, 2010** to:

The ABEX Awards Selection Committee
c/o Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce
1630 Chateau Tower - 1920 Broad Street
Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3V2
Email: tdoroshenko@saskchamber.com

The ABEX administration office guarantees that any information you may provide will remain confidential. All information after judging will be destroyed or returned to you according to your direction.

The ABEX jury will evaluate the performance of a business over its most recent fiscal year.

The gala awards ceremony will be held in Regina on Saturday, October 30, 2010.

(Please use separate sheet of paper to answer if necessary)



The ABEX Award for Growth and Expansion

Sponsored by PFM Capital Inc.

The Achievement for Business Excellence Award for Growth and Expansion is given to a business that has made significant changes in their business resulting in "Growth" or "Expansion". Changes may relate to job creation and/or investment.

NAME OF COMPANY

1. Briefly describe the nominee's business.

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2. What was the nature of the company's growth and/or expansion? Please include a timeframe.

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3. What was (or will be) the impact of the growth/expansion on the company's sales and or productivity? Please specify a timeframe utilizing percentages.

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4. Was the firm's growth and/or expansion the result of a capital investment by the company?

Yes No

a) What percentage of sales has the company invested in Saskatchewan over the last three years?

2009..... % 2008 % 2007 %

(Please use separate sheet of paper to answer if necessary)



b) What percentage of total assets has the company invested in Saskatchewan over the last three years?
 2009.....% 2008 % 2007 %

c) What was/is the source of funds for this investment? (Equity, government grants, banks or other loans, etc.)

5. Has the growth and/or expansion resulted in the creation of new jobs in Saskatchewan?
 Yes No

a) If yes, please indicate how many jobs were created and whether they are full or part time positions. Please include a timeframe.

b) If yes, provide an estimate of how many years you see the firm maintaining the new levels of employment.

6. Does the firm have plans for continued growth? If so, please describe.

1. What is the nominee's company safety plan? Please enclose if possible. (Not sure what makes up a safety plan? visit www.saskchamber.com for more information.)

7. Why do you feel this firm deserves the ABEX Award for Growth and Expansion?

(Please use separate sheet of paper to answer if necessary)



8. Please indicate a Saskatchewan business or local business leader who would support the nominee's application for this award. (optional)

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