



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.



Background Information

Name of Company: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Telephone: _____ Facsimile: _____
 Name of President: _____
 Number of Employees: _____ Location of Head Office: _____
 In operation for _____ years Email: _____
 Person to contact regarding this submission: _____

Sales (latest three years, most recent first)

\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____

Details of Field of Activities

Types of Products or Services	% of Total Sales/Revenue
_____	%
_____	%
_____	%

Geographical Distribution of Sales

Saskatchewan _____ % USA _____ %
 Other Provinces _____ % Other Countries _____ %

Financial Information

Financial success is an important criterion in recognizing business excellence.

In order to assist the jury in the selection of the ABEX Award winners, you are encouraged to submit any financial information that would demonstrate the success of the business. Also, finalists in various categories may be contacted by our independent supervisors, Dillon Hillstead Melanson Certified General Accountants, to provide certain financial data that would assist the jury in determining the financial stability of your business.

All information is treated in a strictly confidential manner.

Please enclose any documents (brochures, folders, annual reports) that the company has published describing its activities, interests, etc.

Authorized signatures _____ /
 Submitted by _____ Authorized by _____
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 Date _____ Date _____

(All third party nominations must be approved by an authorized representative of the sponsored company.)

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



The ABEX Award for Young Entrepreneur of the Year

Sponsored by the Cameco

The Achievement for Business Excellence Award for Young Entrepreneur of the Year is awarded to an entrepreneur between the ages of 18-35 who has achieved success in the start-up and operation of a new or existing business. Eligible candidates must offer a product and/or service; have served at least ten customers; have long-term goals, as well as strategies to meet those goals; and, have demonstrated innovation by adapting to market place challenges resulting in a competitive advantage. Special consideration will be given to entrepreneurs who have displayed an innovative approach.

NAME OF ENTREPRENEUR.....

NAME OF COMPANY.....

- 1. Describe why you feel this nominee deserves the ABEX Award for Young Entrepreneur of the Year. Please discuss how the nominee’s business concept is innovative and resourceful, and indicate what inspired the nominee to start their business or keep working at their business.

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- 2. Describe the long term goals and strategies the nominee has employed in maintaining the operation of their business and the strategies to meet those goals.

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



3. Describe the products/services offered by the nominee that earns the business revenue, and describe how the product or service is used by the buyer or customer.

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4. Describe what processes or resources were used by the nominee to develop their business idea and how they were used, including advertising and outside professional advisors.

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5. What communities does the nominee's business serve? Please name at least three customers served by the nominee's business.

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



6. How has the nominee applied the concept of Corporate Social Responsibility, described as a “company’s commitment to conduct business in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable manner”?

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7. Describe additional awards, honours, recognition, and/or accomplishments of the nominee.

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8. 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.)

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

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