

Lennox Facility in Stuttgart, Ark., Receives American Manufacturing Strategy Award for Operational Excellence

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DALLAS, Dec. 1, 2011 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- The Lennox facility in Stuttgart, Ark., has received the top honor for Operational Excellence in the American Manufacturing Strategy Awards.

The American Manufacturing Strategy Awards (AMSA) celebrate excellence in all aspects of production, including lean manufacturing, innovation, operational excellence and sustainability. Lennox Industries was chosen for its significant waste reduction and high level of customer satisfaction.

According to AMSA judges, "The formulation of the Stuttgart Lean Team has clearly worked in focusing the company on its 16 key areas of improvement, resulting in waste reduction gains. Splitting these areas down to such a detailed level has enabled Lennox to gain more operational excellence, focusing the attention to make improvements achievable. It also makes workers more accountable, thus promoting a company-wide culture of accountability and responsibility that in turn increases productivity."

"We are honored to receive such a high recognition for our operational achievements," said **Albert King**, Lennox Stuttgart Plant Manager. "Our team remains committed to its best-in-class strategy to create constant improvement, targeting all key business needs and customer satisfaction while focusing on waste reduction and environmental sustainability through consistent development initiatives."

The 750,000-square-foot Lennox Stuttgart facility employs more than 1,000 workers during peak summer season. It is also the site of the North American Distribution Center, servicing regional distribution centers throughout the U.S. and Canada. The Lennox Stuttgart facility team builds a variety of commercial air conditioning and heating products including packaged rooftop units, split system and units heaters for the domestic and international market.

Award winners were announced in November during a ceremony in Chicago. For more information, visit the American Manufacturing Strategy Awards web site at http://manufacturingawardsna.com/.

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