



PACCAR's Quebec Plant Named Business of Year, Receives Human Resources Award in Mercuriades Competition

Maker of Kenworth T300 Medium Duty Trucks

STE. THERESE, Que. – The PACCAR plant in Ste. Therese, Que., was named “Business of the Year” and received the Human Resources award in the large business category at the 27th edition of the Mercuriades competition. The competition is sponsored by the Quebec Federation of Chambers of Commerce to celebrate outstanding achievements of Quebec businesses which distinguish themselves by their excellence.

“We’re extremely honored to receive these two prestigious awards,” Gilles Gervais, PACCAR Ste. Therese plant manager. “Every truck we build at Ste. Therese is assembled by well-trained employees with leading-edge technology. The result is world-class, quality trucks recognized throughout the industry for their excellent reliability, low operating cost and high resale value.”



From left, Mercuriades gala chairman Benjamin J. Kemball, CEO and president of Imperial Tobacco Canada, presents the 2007 Mercuriades human resources award in the large business category to Alain Boissonneault, human resources manager, PACCAR Ste. Therese plant.

The Mercuriades awards mark the third major honor for a plant producing Kenworth trucks in the past few years. The Kenworth plant in Chillicothe, Ohio, was named *Quality Magazine's* “Plant of the Year” in the large plant category of over 250 employees last year, and the Kenworth plant in Renton, Wash., was honored with *ASSEMBLY Magazine's* inaugural “Assembly Plant of the Year Award” earlier.



The PACCAR Ste. Therese plant recently received the Business of the Year award in the 2007 Mercuriades competition sponsored by the Quebec Federation Chamber of Commerce. From left are: Guy Authier, Alcan vice president for South of Quebec and United States; Françoise Bertrand, CEO, Quebec Federation Chamber of Commerce; Gilles Gervais, PACCAR Ste. Therese plant manager; Mercuriades gala chairman Benjamin J. Kemball, CEO and president of Imperial Tobacco Canada; Roch Dubé, 2007 Mercuriades competition president and Groupe Bell Nordiq CEO and president; and Sylvie Giguère, Bell Canada vice president of sales.

The Quebec Federation Chamber of Commerce represents a large network of 162 chambers of commerce and 57,000 members exerting their professions in all sectors of the Quebec economy and territory. The business network is one of the most important in Quebec, which enables the organization to support the development of a business environment that is innovating and competitive.

Kenworth, a division of PACCAR Inc, is a leading manufacturer of heavy and medium duty trucks. Kenworth is the recipient of the 2006 J.D. Power and Associates awards for Highest in Customer Satisfaction for both the Over the Road Segment and Pickup and Delivery Segment Class 8 trucks, and for Heavy Duty Dealer Service. Kenworth's Internet home page is at www.kenworth.com. Kenworth. *The World's Best.*