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AEA supports major UK environmental business awards

AEA highlighted its reputation as a driving force behind environmental standards within UK industry this week as the main sponsor of the Business Commitment to the Environment (BCE) Environmental Leadership Awards for the fifth consecutive year.

The Awards ceremony, which took place at the end of June, was opened by Andrew McCree, CEO of AEA, and Pat McFadden, Minister of State at the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory and Reform. As well as sponsoring and managing the BCE Awards, a representative from AEA is a member of the panel of assessors, which uses demanding criteria to judge the entries.

The BCE Awards are one of the most prestigious environmental awards in the UK. Regarded as a top accolade by customers, businesses and regulators, they provide businesses with the opportunity to demonstrate environmental responsibility, innovation and leadership. This year's winner of the Sir Peter Parker Award was Innocent Drinks. Other winners include ASDA, Agfa Graphics Ltd, Bovis Lend Lease and Land Securities.

The BCE Awards are open to all UK businesses that pay corporation tax. Entry is free of charge. Entries for the 2009 Awards must be submitted by the 3 October 2008. AEA will once again be the main sponsor, and urges environmentally aware businesses to enter and achieve recognition. Not only can a BCE Award help promote your business but it can also provide market differentiation and improve staff morale.

Commenting on the BCE Awards, Robert Bell, Operations Director of AEA said: "The BCE Awards enable us to demonstrate our dedication to promote environmental excellence in business. In the five years we have supported the awards, we have seen major changes in UK business, not least the recent credit crunch. What will be interesting to see next year, is which companies continue to place their environmental impact high on the boardroom agenda, recognising that excellent environmental performance is also excellent for bottom line performance."

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In October 2007, AEA was voted by environmental consultancy customers across the UK, as Best Consultancy for Climate Change and Renewables at the prestigious EDIE Awards.