

## HornerXpress Worldwide earns “E Award”

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL, May 24, 2016— U.S. Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker today presented HornerXpress® Worldwide with the President’s “E” Award for Excellence in Exporting at a ceremony in Washington, DC. The President’s “E” Award is the highest recognition any U.S. entity can receive for making a significant contribution to the expansion of U.S. exports.

“HornerXpress® Worldwide has demonstrated a sustained commitment to export expansion. The “E” Awards Committee was very impressed with HornerXpress® Worldwide’s export sales into more than 100 countries. The Company’s dedication to continued international expansion as evidenced by work to develop a market for its products in Burma was also particularly notable. HornerXpress® Worldwide’s achievements have undoubtedly contributed to national export expansion efforts that support the U.S. economy and create American Jobs,” said Secretary Pritzker in her congratulatory letter to the company announcing its selection as an award recipient.

HornerXpress® Worldwide Inc. is a division of Team Horner Horner®, a brand of privately owned companies comprised of the manufacturing and distribution of products and equipment for swimming pools, spas and other aquatic environments. As one of the very few global exporters in the pool industry, HornerXpress® Worldwide Inc. is highly focused on promoting US manufacturing, quality and expertise throughout the world. From electrolytic chlorine generators, swimming pool and aquaculture heat pumps and chillers, to specialty chemicals and outdoor living products, HornerXpress® Worldwide represents more than 10,000 products from over 150 U.S. manufacturing companies, exporting to more than 100 countries.

“It was a privilege and an honor for Mike Dooley and I to represent Team Horner® and receive this prestigious award from the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, which recognizes the export efforts and successes of HornerXpress® Worldwide. We share this “E” Award with our Team Horner® family, our global customers and our industry partners,” says Linda Carroll, Vice President of HornerXpress® Worldwide.

In 1961, President Kennedy signed an executive order reviving the World War II “E” symbol of excellence to honor and provide recognition to America’s exporters. On May 16, 2016, Secretary Pritzker honored 123 U.S. companies with the President’s “E” Award for their outstanding work to reduce barriers to foreign markets and to open the door to more trade around the world.

In 2015, U.S. exports totaled \$2.23 trillion, accounting for nearly 13 percent of U.S. GDP. Nationally, exports contributed to the U.S. economy, supporting an estimated 11.5 million jobs.

U.S. companies are nominated for the “E” Awards through the Department of Commerce’s U.S. Commercial Service office network, located within the Department’s International Trade Administration, with offices in 108 U.S. cities and more than 70 countries. Record years of successive export growth and an applicant’s demonstration of an innovative international marketing plan that led to the increase in exports is a significant factor in selecting the winners.

For more information about the “E” Awards and the benefits of exporting, visit [www.export.gov](http://www.export.gov). For information on HornerXpress® Worldwide, please visit [www.hxworldwide.com](http://www.hxworldwide.com).