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ASCM CORPORATE AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE CELEBRATE SUPPLY CHAIN TEAMS AT TAMER GROUP, PETROBAS AND ZEBRA TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

Individual awards honor professionals representing USCellular, Ware2Go and Lockheed Martin

Chicago -- September 21, 2022 — Today the Association for Supply Chain Management (ASCM), the global pacesetter of organizational transformation, talent development and supply chain innovation, is pleased to announce that Tamer Group, Petrobras and Zebra Technologies have won the 2022 ASCM Awards of Excellence. The program also recognized individual winners Amy T. Augustine, senior director network supply chain at USCellular; Princess Newborn, director of human resources at Ware2Go; and Austin Henion, CPIM, CSCP, CLTD, multifunctional manufacturing planner supervisor at Lockheed Martin.

Since 2012, ASCM Awards of Excellence recognize superior performance and dedication to advancing the field of supply chain management.

Tamer Group was presented with the 2022 Award of Excellence — Learning and Development, which recognizes an organization's commitment to productivity and advancement based on the ongoing application of educational concepts, competencies and best practices from ASCM performance-driven team training and the APICS body of knowledge.

Tamer Group is honored for its learning journey that involved identifying areas for improvement in business competitiveness, dedication to employee education, transparency among partners and adoption of critical technologies. After teaming up with ASCM, the Tamer Group implemented trainings and projects to create a cross-functional mindset in the supply chain and meaningful improvements to its human capital.

Petrobras has received the 2022 Award of Excellence — Corporate Transformation. This award recognizes an organizational transformation that elevates the business as a result of a supply chain assessment leveraging ASCM global standards, products, services and resources; the APICS body of knowledge; or the Supply Chain Operations Reference (SCOR) model.

Petrobras won this award for its efforts to balance efficiency, service and sustainability across the organization. By educating their employees through an ASCM Transformation Learning Program and earning the ASCM Enterprise Certification for Sustainability, Petrobras achieved a 23% reduction in excess inventory value and a 40% SKU reduction. Perhaps most amazingly, the organization has saved nearly $800 million since starting its journey.
The 2022 Award of Excellence — Making an Impact was awarded to Zebra Technologies Corporation. This award honors an organization’s commitment to developing policies that integrate responsible practices into daily business operations and focus on sustainability. Zebra Technologies Corporation is recognized for its commitment to transparency, integrity, human rights and sustainability.

Zebra has demonstrated a sincere commitment to ethical manufacturing. Their code of conduct requires all their suppliers to perform at a high standard of anti-discrimination, humane treatment of workers and fair compensation. In addition, its supply chain eliminated more than $1 million in excess packaging.

In addition to the three corporate awards, ASCM also recognized three individuals for their exceptional work in supply chain. Amy T. Augustine, senior director network supply chain at USCellular, received the 2022 Award of Excellence — Supply Chain Leader. Amy is a true leader and is dedicated to lifting others to improve the industry. During her time at USCellular, she has been instrumental in the career advancement of multiple colleagues by developing leaders through the company's Finance Aspiring Leaders Program. She also supports women's advancement in supply chain as a leader of USCellular's Women in Action Associate Resource Group.

Ware2Go's Princess Newborn, director of human resources, was presented with the 2022 Award of Excellence — Diversity and Inclusion Champion for displaying exceptional commitment to diversity across the entire organization and inspiring people of all backgrounds to succeed in their supply chain careers. She reinforces Ware2Go's commitment to diversity in the workforce by recruiting candidates at job fairs targeted at underrepresented populations. Newborn supports equity in her community by leading volunteer projects at local food banks and providing supplies to Big Brothers Big Sisters. She also mentors young women, teaching them how to approach conversations around career development with their managers and how pursuing education through ASCM can help them reach their goals.

Finally, the 2022 ASCM Award of Excellence – Emerging Supply Chain Leader was awarded to Austin Henion, CPIM, CSCP, CLTD, multifunctional manufacturing planner supervisor at Lockheed Martin. Austin has been part of Lockheed Martin's production, planning and control organization for over three years. Through Lockheed Martin's ASCM Committee, Austin encourages colleagues to earn ASCM credentials and certifications by mentoring and leading study groups. He has also used his knowledge over the years to save the company more than $5 million. His contributions to the supply chain profession show strong potential to become an outstanding leader in the field.
“The supply chain industry continues to be in the global spotlight, and as we work together to respond to all of these changes and disruptions, it’s vital that we recognize supply chains and industry professionals who are dedicated to excellence; the advancement of the industry; and positive, lasting change in sustainability and corporate responsibility,” said ASCM CEO Abe Eshkenazi, CSCP, CPA, CAE. “The corporate programs and individuals we honored here today exemplify all of these qualities.”

The 2023 program will open for entries in May. Learn more about the awards here.

About ASCM

The Association for Supply Chain Management (ASCM) is the global pacesetter of organizational transformation, talent development and supply chain innovation. As the largest association for supply chain, ASCM members and worldwide alliances fuel innovation and inspire accountability for resilient, dynamic and sustainable operations. ASCM is built on a foundation of world-class APICS education, certification and career resources, which encompass award winning workforce development, relevant content, groundbreaking industry standards and a diverse community of professionals who are driven to create a better world through supply chain. To learn more, visit ascm.org.

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