

### **HARBEC Receives the 2011 “MEP Excellence in Sustainability Award”**

Ontario, NY—May 27, 2011— HARBEC, Inc. is proud to announce that they have received the 2011 “MEP Excellence in Sustainability Award” from NIST, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, at their annual Manufacturing Innovations Conference in Orlando, Florida. HARBEC was nominated by HTR (High Tech Rochester).

The Excellence in Sustainability Award recognizes and celebrates manufacturers whose outstanding development and implementation of green/sustainable practices have contributed significantly to their business results, workplace and community. The award supports the MEP (Manufacturing Extension Partnership) mission in strengthening the systems and processes of U.S. manufacturers to make them more profitable and competitive.

“We are extremely proud to receive such an esteemed award in recognition of our team’s dedication, investment and passion in the areas of environmental consciousness and responsibility,” said Bob Bechtold, CEO of HARBEC. “For more than a decade, we have taken many strides to evolve into one of the most environmentally friendly manufacturing firms—not only in the country but worldwide. The HARBEC team strives to meet today’s manufacturing needs without compromising those of future generations, as we invest and grow responsibly in order to stand behind this commitment—because we take the *welfare of our global community seriously.*”

#### **About HARBEC**

Founded by Robert Bechtold in 1977, HARBEC’s mission is to provide tightly toleranced prototypes, tooling, machined components and quality injection molded parts *in a sustainable manner with a social conscience.* We provide superior customer service, satisfaction and timely delivery of custom engineered solutions. We proudly foster an atmosphere of encouragement and respect for the health and prosperity of our customers, employees, and the global community.

HARBEC is certified as an ITAR, ISO9000-2008 and ISO14001 company, demonstrating its use of “eco-economic” decisions and policies designed to ensure that its activities are sustainable. HARBEC has developed and implemented a myriad of solutions to offset emissions, utilize waste and conserve resources. HARBEC has a goal of “no carbon footprint by 2013.” Currently, the facility has a 250kW wind turbine and a twenty-five microturbine combined heat and power plant which generates electricity and thermal to meet the heating and cooling requirements of the facility. For more information, please visit: [www.harbec.com](http://www.harbec.com).

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