

**TARA TECHNOLOGIES AWARDED 2009 OPERATION EXCELLENCE AWARD:  
WORLD CLASS CAPABILITIES RECOGNIZED BY AEROSPACE, DEFENSE & SPACE  
INDUSTRY SUPPLY CHAIN SUPERVISORY BODY (SEA)**

Tara Technologies Corporation, headquartered in Daytona, FL, has been awarded the 2009 Operational Excellence Award from SEA (Supplier Excellence Alliance). SEA is the joint program office for the aerospace, defense, and space industry supply chain conversion. As a non-profit alliance of leading industry contractors, SEA's purpose is to accelerate supply chain performance and help U. S. suppliers become more competitive. Tara was able to edge out many industry leaders and is extremely proud and honored to be a 2009 SEA Award winner.



"Winning the Aerospace and Defense Operational Excellence Award is a significant achievement for Tara," said Colm Lanigan, CEO of Tara "and it reflects the progress we have made in establishing our organization as a world class center of design and manufacturing excellence since the launch of Tara as an independent company in 2006."



Sanjay Sharma, Quality Manager for Tara states: "Tara uses disciplined, data-driven methodologies such as Six Sigma and Lean Manufacturing to eliminate defects and achieve performance excellence in every aspect of our transaction – from concept through delivery. Our continuous improvement initiatives are embedded in our culture. We're driving toward efficient processes, error proofing, advanced product quality planning, wide implementation and usage of statistical methods tools, and zero defects in all of our products and processes."

In addition to winning the Operational Excellence Award, Tara was a Finalist for the Stephen E. Barton Leadership & Culture Award. There were over 300 companies applying for this award including many of the biggest and best companies supporting the Aerospace & Defense industry. Finalists included:

**Tara Technologies Corporation, Daytona, FL**  
Fairchild Controls Corp., Frederick, MD  
Geater Machining & Mfg. Co., Independence, IA  
Hixson Metal Finishing, Inc., Newport Beach, CA  
Superform USA, Riverside, CA  
W Machine Works, Inc., San Fernando, CA

Raul Ceide, COO conveyed: "We are proud that we were able to participate with over 250 leading aerospace and defense companies and receive recognition for the efforts and capabilities of the Tara organization. We are thrilled to win this prominent award for outstanding operational processes and procedures and we will continue to pursue our goal of being the partner of choice for engineered solutions in critical applications."

For further information regarding this award and SEA, please refer to the following links:

2009 SEA Award Winner Press Release:

[http://seaonline.org/AboutSEA/news/PressReleases/2009Winners\\_Press\\_Rel.pdf](http://seaonline.org/AboutSEA/news/PressReleases/2009Winners_Press_Rel.pdf)

SEA Website:

<http://seaonline.org/>

Tara Technologies Corporation has designed, tested and manufactured components and systems used in critical applications for the world's leading manufacturers in the Semiconductor, Aerospace, Military, Energy and Medical markets for over 50 years. Tara is headquartered in Daytona Beach, Florida, with manufacturing facilities in Florida, California, and Singapore; with sales offices and distribution network across the US and worldwide.

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