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Another feather in the cap of Everest Group. Everest Blower Systems, the flagship of Everest Group and the youngest company of the group was recently evaluated by SME Rating Agency Of India Limited (SMERA) and assigned a NSIC-D&B-SMERA: SE 2A rating. This rating indicates 'High Performance Capability and High Financial Strength'. SMERA is India's first and only rating agency dedicated to the SME segment. SMERA assigns ratings after considering and analyzing financial as well as non-financial or qualitative aspects of the rated entity. A NSIC-D&B-SMERA rating is therefore of key relevance to various parties who are interested and have business dealings with the entity. The strengths of the company include professional and experienced management, significant increase in revenue, operating profit margin and net profit margin over last three years, better debt equity ratio (as compared to industry standards) and substantial increase in tangible net worth. All this has been possible due to clear vision and far sightedness of competent top management.

Everest Blower Systems is engaged in manufacturing of Roots Blowers (Bilobe & Trilobe Design), Mechanical Vacuum Boosters, Acoustic Hoods, dry Vane Pumps, dry Screw Vacuum Pumps, and industrial Vacuum systems. The company is catering to a diverse range of customer segments including Chemical, Pharmaceutical, Petrochemical, Research Organizations, Food Processing, water & Waste Water etc, and has been successful in providing innovative, sustainable & energy efficient solutions for various processes. Exports turnover is to the tune of 35% of the total turnover. The company currently exports to Africa, Middle East & South East Asia. The group management has impressive expansion plans and hope to achieve a turnover of 150 Crores in the coming five years.

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Rockwell Automation Named One of World's Most Ethical Companies for Fourth Time

MILWAUKEE, March 16, 2012— For the fourth time, the Ethisphere Institute has recognized Rockwell Automation (NYSE: ROK) as one of the "world's most ethical companies." The Ethisphere Institute is a leading international thinktank dedicated to the creation, advancement and sharing of best practices in business ethics, corporate social responsibility, anti-corruption and sustainability.

In announcing its sixth annual selection of the world's most ethical companies, Ethisphere's 2012 list highlights organizations, including Rockwell Automation, that show leadership in promoting ethical business standards.

"Each year the competition for the world's most ethical companies intensifies as the number of nominations submitted for consideration grows," said Alex Brigham, executive director of Ethisphere. "This year's winners know that a strong ethics program is a key component to a successful business model, and they continue to scrutinize their ethical standards to keep up with an ever-changing regulatory environment."

Through in-depth research and a multi-step analysis, Ethisphere reviewed nominations from companies in more than 100 countries and 36 industries. A record number of nominations and applications this year is evidence of both the award's growing prominence and companies' desire to be acknowledged for their high ethical standards.

"A defining element that sets Rockwell Automation's workplace apart from others is our culture of ethics, responsibility and accountability. At every level of the company, our 21,000 employees worldwide have an unwavering dedication to doing the right thing," commented Keith D. Nosbusch, Rockwell Automation chairman and CEO. "Our global commitment to responsible business practices is absolute. For us, honesty, fairness, quality and responsiveness are guiding principles and integrity is an underlying value in every business transaction."

In Rockwell Automation's most recent Global Voices Employee Engagement Index, ethics-related scores were the highest of all categories and were above the available normative scores by large margins. Employees noted they clearly understand expectations for ethical behavior, they would report a violation or issue, and they knew where and how to report such behavior.