



Congratulations to three local companies being recognized as 2010 Colorado Companies to Watch!



Colorado Companies to Watch, presented by M3 Insurance, energizes the state of Colorado by recognizing second-stage companies that are developing valuable products and services, creating quality jobs, enriching communities, and creating new industries throughout the state. Second-stage companies fuel the economic fire of Colorado by accounting for much of the economic growth and economic independence of individuals throughout the state. These companies possess attributes such as:

- Growth focused
- Privately-held, headquartered in Colorado
- 6 to 99 full-time equivalent employees
- \$750,000 to \$50 million in sales or a similar range of working capital

This unique awards program, developed by the Edward Lowe Foundation, produces a multitude of benefits for all stakeholders. Participating companies have the opportunity to gain increased visibility in local and state communities as well as to improve stakeholder relationships and contribute to a dynamic business environment. Citizens will have increased access to rewarding income opportunities and be able to build pride in innovative and valuable entrepreneurial companies. The state of Colorado will be able to showcase trend-setting leaders in diverse entrepreneurial fields that strengthen the state's economy.

**The Colorado Springs Regional Economic Development Corporation
will honor these companies at our 5th Annual Excellence in Local Industry
Awards event on Thursday, October 21, 2010 at the Broadmoor.**