

PRESS RELEASE

Garreco receives Arkansas Governor's Quality Award



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Heber Springs, Arkansas (September 12, 2017) – Garreco, LLC was recognized with the Challenge Award during the 23rd Annual Arkansas Governor's Quality Awards Celebration, administered and presented by the Arkansas Institute for Performance Excellence. The Awards Celebration was held at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Little Rock. More than 300 business and civic leaders from throughout Arkansas attended the celebration. Garreco was one of 28 recipients to receive a Quality Award, but was the only dental manufacturer honored on Tuesday night.

The Governor's Quality Award is based on the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. The goal of the Governor's Quality Award Program is to encourage Arkansas organizations to engage in continuous quality improvement, which leads to performance excellence, and to provide significant recognition to those organizations.



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Created as a not-for-profit organization, the program is dedicated to assist in building a strong infrastructure for Arkansas businesses. That dedication is reflected in the program's vision to be a catalyst for excellence in organizational performance. The Governor's Quality Award program partners with the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce.

The Chairman of the Board of the Governor's Quality Award program is Chris Weiser, president of JV Manufacturing in Springdale. Organizations and companies interested in participating in the program should contact Governor's Quality Award Executive Director Sue Weather with the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce by calling 501-372-2222 or go to www.arkansas-quality.org.

About Garreco, LLC

Garreco is the only manufacturer of dental gypsum in the state of Arkansas. The company manufactures a complete line of ADA/ISO Standard dental gypsums and plasters used by dentists and laboratory technicians for model making and casting to create dental restorations. In addition to gypsum, Garreco also offers dental abrasives, acrylics, silicones, and laboratory supplies from their facility in Heber Springs, AR. Garreco's quality management system is 13485:2003 ISO certified for the manufacturing, sale and distribution of medical devices. To learn more about the company, please visit Garreco.com.

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