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PTI Industries Inc. Named Business Leader for Energy Efficiency

JULY 14, 2011, New Britain, Conn. – The Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund is pleased to announce that Enfield-based PTI Industries Inc. was recognized as a Business Leader for Energy Efficiency at the recent Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships (NEEP) Summit in Warwick, R.I. The company was awarded for its expansive efforts to advance energy efficiency in its manufacturing operations, which have resulted in annual energy savings of nearly two million kilowatt-hours and total cost savings of over \$334,000. PTI was nominated by the Energy Efficiency Fund in partnership with Connecticut Light & Power (CL&P).

Since 2008, PTI has participated in numerous energy efficiency programs and initiatives supported by the Energy Efficiency Fund and administered by CL&P. For example, the Energy Opportunities program enabled the company, which provides nondestructive testing services to machine shops serving the aerospace and medical industries, to install two high-efficiency machines that help increase the life of metal parts. PTI expanded its market share by 15 percent as a result.

Program incentives of \$230,185 since 2008 also allowed PTI to upgrade its facility to reduce operating costs and lower its electric bills. The company installed high efficiency lighting, replaced an air compressor with a more efficient model, and participated in lean manufacturing initiatives to streamline product flow, eliminate or reduce waste, improve production efficiency, and reduce electrical energy consumption. Over the lifetime of the new equipment, PTI will realize energy savings of more than 26 million kilowatt-hours. The avoided carbon dioxide emissions are the equivalent of taking approximately 161 cars off the road for a year.

“As a manufacturing company in Connecticut, we have to stay extremely lean in our processes and efficient with our energy usage in order to keep operating costs at a minimum to remain competitive,” said John Hill, PTI’s director of product research and development. “PTI is committed to our location, employees and customers here and, as such, continues to partner with the Energy Efficiency Fund and CL&P to find ways to reduce our costs while improving our services and increasing our market share. The energy savings and process improvements we’ve realized through the programs have allowed us to maintain a competitive edge in our industry.”

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“The mission of the Energy Efficiency Fund is to advance the efficient use of energy, reduce air pollution and negative environmental impacts, and to promote economic development and energy security,” said Richard Steeves, Chairman of the Energy Efficiency Board. “PTI is a great example of the Fund fulfilling its mission on all counts.”

Other Connecticut businesses recognized at the event included Business & Land Technology, Stamford and Westfield Trumbull Shopping Center, Trumbull.

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