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### **Oil Purification Systems Wins Connecticut Quality Improvement Award for Third Consecutive Year**

WATERBURY, Conn.--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--[Oil Purification Systems](#) (OPS), the leader in fluid cleaning technology, today announced that the Connecticut Quality Improvement Award Partnership (CQIA) has recognized the company with its gold level Innovation Prize. OPS was awarded the honor for its Eco-Pur System, the first and only supplemental filtration system that uses electronic controls to continuously optimize the cleaning process and remove both solid and liquid contaminants from lubricating oil. This is the third consecutive year that OPS has been awarded the CQIA Innovation Prize.

The Connecticut Quality Improvement Awards are America's oldest state-level awards, and are judged based on the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Criteria for Performance Excellence. The CQIA recognizes accomplishments during the first stages of the quality journey for all Connecticut-located organizations. It is meant to stimulate interest in organizations to implement quality while fostering recognition of innovative improvements.

"OPS works tirelessly to provide innovative products and technologies that enable our customers to save time and money with fewer oil changes, while also promoting environmental sustainability," said Greg Slawson, Oil Purification Systems' CEO. "We are pleased to be recognized by the CQIA Partnership for the third year in a row, and are dedicated to continue building upon our technology with even greater innovation in the future."

OPS and other recipients were judged based on their ability to solve a problem or leverage an opportunity within an organization by using an innovative new service, process or product that has been developed within the last five years. Winners were recognized at the CQIA Partnership's 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference on Quality and Innovation at Water's Edge Resort in Westbrook, Conn. on October 23.

The CQIA award is the latest recognition that further solidifies OPS' commitment to improving environmental quality at the state and national level. In 2009, OPS was also recognized for Best Available Environmental Technology by the National Association of Environmental Professionals, and was the recipient of the first investment made under the Connecticut Clean Tech Fund, which is administered by Connecticut Innovations (CI).

#### **About CQIA**

The [Connecticut Quality Improvement Award Partnership, Inc.](#) is a growing group of active business people, educators, health care executives, and government officials concerned with improving the economic vitality of the state using the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Criteria for Performance Excellence. Since 1987, the CQIA has been the state's annual quality awards, recognizing Connecticut manufacturing and service companies that excel in managing quality improvement for business success and growth. Beginning in 1995, health care, education, government and other not-for-profit organizations became eligible to apply along with manufacturing and service companies.

#### **About Oil Purification Systems**

Oil Purification Systems, Inc. manufactures a family of fluid cleaning products, including the Eco-Pur System, which removes the solid and liquid contaminants from engine oil, virtually eliminating the need for routine oil changes. OPS' technology is used by hundreds of fleets on thousands of vehicles and generators in trucking, oil and gas, mining, waste management and many other applications. OPS users have dramatically reduced oil consumption, cut oil maintenance costs by 80 percent, and