ATTACHMENTS: 1. Descriptions of Award-Winning Parts; 2. photo of People's Choice winner (see caption below); 3. SPE Thermoforming Division logo.

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SPE ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF ANNUAL THERMOFORMING CONFERENCE PARTS COMPETITION

CAROL STREAM, IL, U.S.A., September 20, 2019: The Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) Thermoforming Division has announced the winners of its annual parts competition.

The awards were presented during the Thermoforming Division's annual conference, held last week in Milwaukee, WI. This year's winners are:

- "People's Choice." Plastics Unlimited, for the "Versatile tractor cab roof."
- Roll Fed Thin Gauge Industrial Gold. Placon, for the "Orthofix."
- Roll Fed Thin Gauge Industrial Silver. Placon, for the "Paclock."
- *Roll Fed Thin Gauge Food Gold.* Lindar Corporation, for the "Simply secure tamper obvious hinge package."
- Roll Fed Thin Gauge Food Silver. Placon, for the "Homefresh entrée."
- *Roll Fed Thin Gauge Recycled/Sustainable Gold.* CMI Plastics, for the "Hoppe's black gun cleaning kit."
- Cut Sheet Heavy Gauge Vacuum Forming Gold. Profile Plastics, for the "Neonatal intensive care unit."
- Cut Sheet Heavy Gauge Vacuum Forming Silver. Say Plastics, for the "Door assembly."
- Cut Sheet Heavy Gauge Pressure Forming Gold. Ray Products, for the "Stratasys 3D printer."
- Cut Sheet Heavy Gauge Pressure Forming Silver. Profile Plastics, for the "Motor drive cover."
- *Heavy Gauge Twin Sheet Gold.* Profile Plastics, for the "Beverage dispensing equipment lid."
- Cut Sheet Heavy Gauge TPO Gold. Kal Plastics, for the "Cab-over front cap."

• Cut Sheet Heavy Gauge Parts Produced with Automation and New Technology – Gold. Wilbert Plastics, for the "Medical assembly MRI."

"This year's Parts Competition entries really pushed the boundaries in each category," noted Travis Kieffer, 2019 SPE Thermoforming Parts Competition Chair. "The quantity of submissions doubled this year, and the Division is particularly pleased with their quality."

More information is available at https://thermoformingdivision.com or by contacting Lesley Kyle at 1-914-671-9524 or lesley@openmindworks.com.

Photo Caption:

Plastics Unlimited: Versatile Tractor Cab Roof. [Photo: Dallager Photography]

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