

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Nordduyn named « Company of the Year » at Alpha 2009**

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Nordduyn, a designer and manufacturer of innovative light weight products for commercial and military aviation markets announces it was named “Company of the Year” in one of the three manufacturing categories for nomination at Alpha 2009 organized by the Saint-Laurent Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

The Alpha 2009 contest was held to honor and recognize the performance of companies in the Saint-Laurent/Cartierville/Mont-Royal districts which culminates with the area’s most prestigious ceremony and event held once a year. Members of the business community participate in this event to celebrate excellence and involvement of business leaders in their community. The dinner event attracted more than 400 business leaders as well as renowned personalities of various fields.

Nordduyn distinguished itself for having increased its sales in the last year, intensified its investments in research and development, created jobs at its facility, launched two new products for its international markets and won sizeable contracts.

Nordduyn was awarded at the end of 2008 an important contract from the Canadian Department of National Defense for lightweight multi-use aircraft containers that can be collapsed for improved logistics. This project had required two years of development. Nordduyn also announced a partnership with LSG SkyChefs, a division of Germany-based Lufthansa Airlines for its new aviation trolleys used onboard commercial aircraft and made entirely of company proprietary light weight composites. “We are proud to contribute to making Quebec-based expertise in light weight composites recognized internationally. We owe part of these successes to our local partners from the public and private sectors” observed Mathieu Boivin, Nordduyn’s CEO.



From Nordduyn : Mr. Mathieu Boivin, CEO (centre) and Mr. Patrick Phillips, Director of Business Development (left)



“it is important to point out that Norduyn celebrated last year its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The company is an integral part of Saint Laurent’s rich history in aviation. Norduyn as an employer remains highly reliant on the availability of local talent and expertise for its future growth” concluded Patrick Phillips, Director of business development at Norduyn.

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