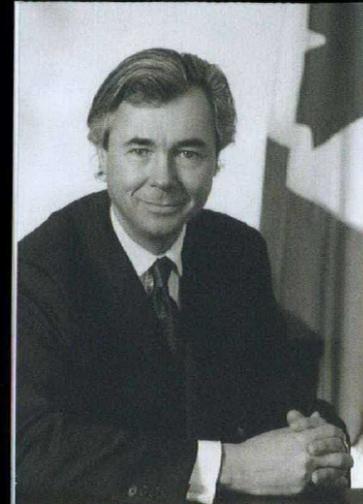


Winners of Canada Export Awards 2002



On behalf of the Government of Canada, I am very pleased to present the Canada Export Awards for the year 2002 to ten Canadian companies whose outstanding achievements have helped ensure Canada's continued global leadership in trade. Big and small, these companies are international ambassadors, presenting Canada as a nation of ideas, innovation and excellence. They are a symbol of our success abroad and contribute significantly to the health of our economy. These leading

exporters generate jobs and prosperity, thus strengthening the economy not only of their own communities but also of the entire country. I extend my congratulations to the management and dedicated staff of all the winning companies. I salute these winners for their hard work and inspiration to all Canadians.

Pierre S. Pettigrew, Minister for International Trade

DECODE Entertainment Inc.

- Toronto, Ontario
- Neil Court, Partner
- **Smaller Exporter Achievement Award**



DECODE Entertainment is among the world's most innovative and successful production companies in entertainment for children and youth. Home to some of Canada's top talent, DECODE develops, produces and distributes internationally recognizable television series such as "Angela Anaconda" and "The Zack Files", as well as interactive Web projects. The company's award-winning offerings are currently seen in more than 40 countries worldwide.

www.decode.tv

Fincentric Corporation

- Richmond, British Columbia
- Mike Cardiff, President and CEO
- **Lifetime Achievement Award**

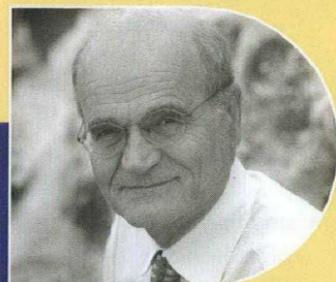


Fincentric Corporation is a global provider of banking and wealth management technology. Established in 1984, this pioneering company recognized the importance of wealth management to the financial industry early on and is now a leader, providing Web-enabled software solutions to approximately 300 customers in financial institutions worldwide. The company's strategic alliances have helped it to penetrate markets in the U.S., South Africa and Asia.

www.fincentric.com

ZENON Environmental Inc.

- Oakville, Ontario
- Andrew Benedek, Chairman and CEO
- **Exporter of the Year**

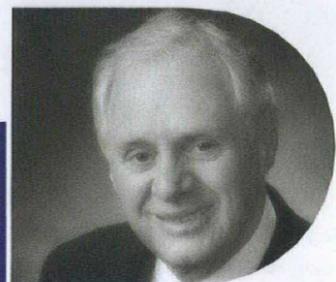


ZENON Environmental Inc. is winning over environmentalists and investors alike with its advanced membrane products that improve the safety and quality of water. Zenon specializes in a chemical-free water treatment method known as membrane filtration. In the last three years, ZENON has penetrated emerging markets in Asia, Australia and Eastern Europe, establishing thousands of installations in over 30 countries, while helping to safeguard the world's water supply.

www.zenonenv.com

General Motors Defense

- London, Ontario
- William Pettipas, Executive Director



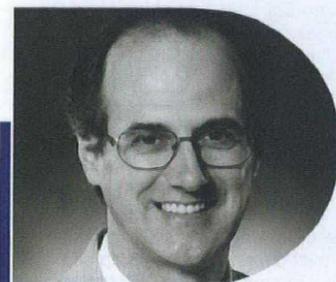
General Motors (GM) Defense is one of the world's leading light-armoured vehicle

manufacturers, serving some of the most demanding military customers in the world. With \$4 billion in export contracts in 2001 and a landmark deal with the U.S. army, GM Defense has emerged as an exporting powerhouse. The new \$6-billion joint venture to produce armoured vehicles made in Canada for the U.S. army is the largest in company history.

www.gm-defense.com

H. Fontaine Ltd.

- Magog, Quebec
- André Fontaine, Executive President

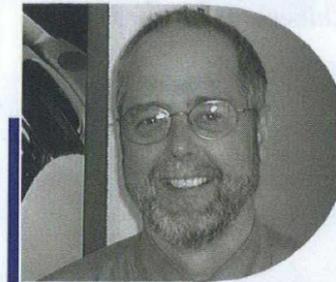


With offices around the globe, H. Fontaine has emerged as a leader in effective water management. This family-run company designs and manufactures water control gates used by hydroelectric power and waste water treatment plants. World-class environmental know-how and innovation have fuelled H. Fontaine's strong international showing. From the Arabian Peninsula to Latin America, exports to foreign markets account for 80 percent of the company's total sales.

www.hfontaine.com

Lacent Technologies Inc.

- Edmonton, Alberta
- Ron Gilbertson, President and CEO



Lacent Technologies is an advanced manufacturing company on the cutting edge. This enterprising company develops and manufactures sophisticated high-speed laser cutting systems for textiles and other materials used in the automotive and industrial textile industries. In six short years, Lacent has grown from a small technology start-up to a global exporter, with customers that include suppliers to Honda and Levi Strauss.

www.lacent.com/Lacent_Main.htm

Lotek Wireless Inc.

- St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
- Jim Lotimer, President
- **Innovation and Technology Achievement Award**



Lotek Wireless is a leading innovator in the design and manufacture of fish and wildlife monitoring systems. Whether it's tracking elephants in Africa or penguins in Antarctica, this pioneering technology company has made its mark exporting monitoring systems that use state-of-the-art electronics designed to operate under challenging conditions. A combination of technical competency and R&D spending have resulted in strong sales in 38 countries worldwide.

www.lotek.com

NSI Global Inc.

- Pointe-Claire, Quebec
- David Ben-David, President and CEO
- **Challenging Markets Achievement Award**



In business since 1990, NSI Global is an established name in the broadband telecommunications business. NSI Global is now gaining ground in the rapidly expanding remote asset management sector. This technology enables companies to monitor industrial facilities and equipment, such as oil wellheads and trucks. NSI Global has won major clients, such as China's Ministry of Railways and PetroChina, and it experienced dramatic sales growth of 200 percent in export revenues in 2001.

www.nsiglobalinc.com