

SEMI Presents 2012 Government Leadership Award to House Ways and Means Chairman; Announces Two New Board Members at Washington Forum Event

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — May 9, 2012 — As part of its annual SEMI Washington Forum, SEMI today presented U.S. Congressman Dave Camp (R-MI) with the 2012 North American Government Leadership Award. The award is given annually to a policymaker who has shown leadership and support for the U.S. microelectronics and photovoltaic manufacturing value chain. The Washington Forum is the preeminent event for SEMI member companies to meet directly with policymakers responsible for laws and regulations that affect our industry.

Congressman Camp represents the 4th District of Michigan and has served in the House of Representatives since 1991. In 2009, Rep. Camp became the Chairman of the powerful House Committee on Ways and Means, which includes overseeing all tax legislation in the House.

The accomplishments cited by SEMI for presenting Chairman Camp with the award include:

- Leadership in extending the research and development tax credit, and efforts to make that credit permanent.
- Support for free trade agreements, including the passage of the U.S-Korea Free Trade agreement.
- Support of domestic solar energy and solar energy manufacturing.

David Miller, president of DuPont Electronic Technologies and the Chairman of the SEMI North America Advisory Board, presented the award to Chairman Camp, saying, "Congressman Dave Camp is a leader and champion on high-tech innovation issues...Throughout his career he has fought for commonsense policies that strengthen American high-tech manufacturing, and in doing so, strengthen America."

New Board Members

SEMI also announced two new members of its North American Advisory Board as part of the Washington Forum. The new board members are:

- Terry Brewer, president and founder of Brewer Science, Inc. Founded by Brewer in 1981, Brewer Science develops, manufactures, and sells high technology specialty chemicals and equipment for the microelectronics, optical display and other industries. Brewer Science corporate headquarters is located in Rolla, Missouri with operations worldwide.
- Wayne Mitchell, vice president and general manager, Electronics, Air Products & Chemicals. Mitchell was appointed vice president and general manager, Electronics, in July 2011. He is responsible for advancing and implementing the global strategy for Air Products' Electronics business.

Karen Savala, president, SEMI Americas, said of the announcement, "SEMI is fortunate to have these two proven industry leaders joining the North American Advisory Board. Each one of these gentlemen will bring considerable experience and a unique perspective to the Board, and the Board will be stronger for their efforts."

SEMI North America Advisory Board Members serve three two-year terms and advise the SEMI Americas region on matters of public policy, critical industry issues, and all programs and activities held throughout the year.

The SEMI North American Government Leadership Award was established in 2004 to recognize policymakers in the United States that promote pro-innovation policies. Recipients of the award are selected by the SEMI North American Advisory Board, and the award is presented in conjunction with the SEMI Washington Forum, one of the organization's annual executive meetings with elected legislators and Federal officials in Washington, D.C.

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