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Continental Girbau Inc. names 2013 Distributors of the Year

Oshkosh, Wis.--During Continental Girbau Inc.'s (Continental) recent Profit Symposium, several distributors received awards for outstanding laundry equipment distribution and customer support. Wholesale Commercial Laundry Equipment S.E., LLC (Wholesale), in Southside, Ala., received the U.S.A. Distributor of the Year Award, while Coronet Equipment LTD (Coronet), in Edmonton, Alberta, earned the Canadian Distributor of the Year. Both distributorships were recognized for superior results in on-premise and vended laundry sales and service. Additionally, Darling Sales & Service, in Blaine, Minn., received the On-premise Laundry Distributor of the Year Award for continued excellence in on-premise laundry sales, service and support.

- Wholesale is an on-premise and vended laundry equipment distributor serving Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and portions of Florida and Tennessee. Owned by Russ Arbuckle, the distributorship is a frequent award winner, according to Joel Jorgensen, Continental vice president of sales and customer services. "Wholesale excelled in all areas of vended and on-premise laundry distribution this year," said Jorgensen. "Continental has worked with Russ since the beginning and he has evolved into a great business leader and laundry professional for his customers." Wholesale is a full-service distributorship offering laundry equipment, installation, technical service, parts and unrivaled customer service before, during and after the sale, according to Jorgensen. Find out more about Wholesale at www.alaundryman.com or 866-544-7228.

- Coronet is a service-based organization handling Continental on-premise and coin laundry equipment distribution, and Girbau Industrial sales, in Saskatchewan and the Northern Canadian territories. "The Rosen family and Coronet are focused on service and they perform at

an incredibly high level through some of the most remote areas of Canada,” said Jorgensen. “They effectively serve the bigger cities in their area, as well as the camp sites located in the Northern Territories.” Focused on the delivery of superior service, Coronet assists in vended laundry site selection, financing, equipment, store layout and management. For on-premise laundries, Coronet helps evaluate and design laundries with equipment to meet the specific efficiency, labor and productivity needs of a range of businesses – from commercial and industrial laundries, to laundries at hospitals, hotels, fire departments and vet clinics. Discover more about Coronet at www.coronetequipment.com or 888-396-9999.

- Darling Sales & Service delivers high-quality laundry equipment and services to hospitals, resorts, hotels, spas, health clubs, vended laundries, nursing homes, fire departments and more. “I can’t even count the number of times they have been the On-premise Laundry Distributor of the Year for Continental,” said Jorgensen. “They continue to reinvent themselves and the value they bring to customers. They deliver service, parts and a personal way of doing business that resonates to success.” A full-service distributorship, Darling Sales & Service houses a large parts department and highly trained technical service staff. The company works closely with customers to improve on-premise laundry productivity and efficiency through assistance with financial planning and selection of advanced laundry equipment to slash utilities and energy consumption. Discover more about Darling Sales & Service at www.darlingsales.com or 763-786-1803.

Find out more about Continental at www.continentalgirbau.com or 800-256-1073.

Continental Girbau Inc. is the largest of 14 subsidiaries of the Girbau Group, based in Vic, Spain. Girbau laundry products – marketed throughout 90 countries worldwide – meet rigorous environmental and safety standards established by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Girbau S.A. holds both ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 certifications. Ever focused on laundry efficiency, Continental Girbau is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGB), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that developed the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System.



Russ Arbuckle, president of Wholesale Commercial Laundry Equipment S.E., accepts the Continental 2013 U.S.A Distributor of the Year Award. Pictured, from left, are Joel Jorgensen, Continental vice president of sales and customer services; Mike Floyd, Continental president; Arbuckle; and Ed Ziegler, Continental district sales manager – Eastern U.S. and Canada.

Not pictured are representatives of Coronet Equipment (Continental's 2013 Canadian Distributor of the Year) and Darling Sales & Service (Continental's 2013 On-premise Laundry Distributor of the Year).