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AAQG announces the 2016 recipient of the Mike Gallagher Award

Charlotte, North Carolina, USA, September 14, 2016 - The Americas Aerospace Quality Group (AAQG) has announced Donald Buehler, President of Export Solutions, Inc. and formerly of GE Aviation, as the recipient of the annual Mike Gallagher Award. The AAAG Leadership Team established the Mike Gallagher Award to honor the memory of Mike Gallagher and the tremendous impact he had on the aviation, space and defense industry.

This award recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves by making unique and outstanding contributions to the aviation, space and defense industry related activities in the AAQG, standards development, oversight and maintenance of the International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG), Industry Controlled Other Party (ICOP) scheme in the Americas sector.

Mr. Buehler was chosen by his peers based on the significance of his contributions, the impact and influence he has had on the industry and recognition for his leadership qualities and depth of participation in furthering the objectives of the organization.

Previous AAQG Mike Gallagher Award Winners include:

- 2015 Dale Gordon, ANAB
- 2014 Tim Lee, The Boeing Company
- 2013 Colin Clark, Bombardier
- 2012 Richard J. Downs, Cessna
- 2011 Michael C. Roberts, The Boeing Company

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