Ball's Hope Riggs Recognized for Excellence in Manufacturing

BROOMFIELD, Colo., March 1, 2017 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- <u>Hope Riggs</u>, pre-press manager at Ball Corporation's Canton, Ohio, manufacturing facility, will receive the Women in Manufacturing STEP (Science, Technology, Engineering and Production) Ahead Award on April 20, 2017, in Washington, D.C.

The STEP Ahead Awards honor women who have demonstrated excellence and leadership in their careers and represent all levels of the manufacturing industry, from the plant floor to the C-suite.

"Hope embodies our company values of being close to customers, behaving like an owner and being innovative," said Steve Hersher, Canton-Warner Road plant manager. "She demonstrates excellence on a daily basis, and is proactive and collaborative in delivering operational solutions. In addition to continually leading and mentoring her colleagues and others, she also strives to make an exceptional impact in our community."

The STEP Ahead Awards are part of the larger STEP Ahead initiative, launched to examine and promote the role of women in the manufacturing industry through recognition, research and leadership for attracting, advancing and retaining strong female talent.

"These women exemplify the path an exciting career in manufacturing can take," said Heidi Alderman, 2017 Chair of STEP Ahead. "STEP Ahead recognizes women nationwide for their significant achievements to the field of manufacturing, and the positive impact on their companies and the industry as a whole."

The Manufacturing Institute will recognize 130 recipients of the STEP Ahead Awards, including Riggs, at a reception and program that will highlight each honoree's story, including their leadership and accomplishments in manufacturing.

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