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**MATLET Group President Receives Award in New England**

**Gary Stiffler Recognized with the MBE Empowerment Award**



PAWTUCKET, RI – May 3, 2010--Gary Stiffler, President and CEO of The MATLET Group, has been honored by the Greater New England Minority Supplier Development Council with the MBE Empowerment award. The award was presented at GNEMSDC's annual awards banquet held in Boston, Massachusetts on April 24, 2010.

The MBE Empowerment Award is given to the Minority Business Enterprise that demonstrates great service to other Minority-owned businesses as well as making it a business priority to buy goods and services from Minority Business Enterprises.

The MATLET Group spends approximately \$2.7 million with diverse businesses annually, and uses its active participation in multiple NMSDC affiliated councils across the country to learn about diverse companies it can do business with.

“Purchasing products and services from other minority business owners helps my company contribute to the overall economic growth of the communities we operate in”, says Gary Stiffler, MATLET Group CEO. “As an active part of the GNEMSDC and other Councils, we have come into contact with excellent businesses that help us to stand out among our competition.”