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## **Mass technology leadership council announces second group Of finalists for the 2008 technology leadership awards**

**Boston, Mass., – July 17, 2008** – The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc. announced the second group of finalists for the Council's annual Technology Leadership Awards honoring Massachusetts companies and individuals who best exemplify leadership and excellence in business and technology. Unlike most technology awards, The Technology Leadership Awards recognize outstanding achievement in both the development and deployment of information technologies that address critical business issues.

The second group of finalists for the Awards program, announced July 17, 2008, were in the following categories: CIO; CTO; Investor and Emerging Innovative Company of the year.

### **CIO**

Nick Ventresca, Charles River Labs  
David Kistler, Dynamics Research Corporation  
Rebecca Rhoads, Raytheon Company  
Aaron Weis, Sensata

### **CTO**

Robert Malan, Arbor Networks  
Pete Manca, Egenera  
Paul English, Kayak.com  
Peter George, Kronos Inc.  
Vikram Saksena, Sonus Networks

### **Investor of the Year**

John Simon, General Catalyst Partners  
Michael Fitzgerald, Commonwealth Capital Ventures  
David Beisel, Venrock  
Jim Matheson, Flagship Ventures  
Paul Maeder, Highland Capital Partners

### **Emerging Innovative Company of the year**

Bit9  
Dataupia  
EveryZing  
Norbury Financial  
ZINK Imaging

"The Mass Technology Leadership Council is committed to fostering entrepreneurship and promoting the success of companies that develop and deploy technology across industry sectors, and these awards are an important part of this effort," said Tom Hopcroft, executive director of the Mass Technology Leadership Council. "These honorees represent the spirit of innovation, the history of accomplishment and the future promise that define the Massachusetts technology community."

More than 160 submissions were received during the open nomination process. The Council's Board of Trustees selected the finalists and a separate group of judges will determine the final winners. The winners will be announced at the Fall Awards Gala, October 23, 2008, at the Sheraton Boston.

The First group of finalists were announced on June 26, 2008 in the following categories:

**CEO**

Walter Scott, Acronis Inc.  
Diane Hessian, Communispace  
Mark Shirman, Glasshouse Technologies  
Christopher von Alt, Hydroid, LLC  
Robert Keane, VistaPrint

**CXO**

Stephan Thieringer, Giunti Labs  
Jon Pilkington, Metatomix, Inc.  
Jeff Brown, Raytheon  
Eric Hansen, SiteSpect, Inc.

**Innovator**

Jay Bhatt, Autodesk  
Nicholas Carr, Author  
Paul Graham, Y Combinator  
Paul Zavracky, Northeastern University

**Private Sector Company of the year**

Constant Contact  
Egenera  
EMC  
Endeca  
Virtual Iron

**Public Sector Organization**

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center  
BostonFIRST  
City of Boston  
UMass Online

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**About The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc.**

The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc. is the only association that addresses the critical leadership issues of innovative software and technology-enabled companies. Formed by the combination of Massachusetts Software Council and New England Business and Technology Association, Inc., the organization is dedicated to fostering entrepreneurship and promoting the success of companies that develop and deploy technology across industry sectors. The Mass Technology Leadership Council conducts educational programs, hosts industry events, facilitates networking, sponsors research, advocates in favor of technology policies that promote innovation, entrepreneurship and competition, and recognizes industry-leading companies and people.

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