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### ***BPM Inc. Employee Awarded All Star Award***

Peshtigo, WI – The NEW Manufacturing Alliance (NEWMA), a group which promotes manufacturing throughout Northeast Wisconsin, has named Jamie Britz, Paper Machine Operator at BPM Inc., a 2011 Manufacturing All Star Recipient.

“Making quality paper and continuously looking for ways to improve energy efficiencies are the most interesting and exciting parts of my job,” said Britz. “I enjoy going to work every day knowing that my employer appreciates the workforce and our dedication.”

Before beginning his career with BPM, Britz served in the U.S. Air Force from 1994 to 1998, then as a certified HVAC technician from 1998 to 2000. Willing to put in extra time to learn and understand the paper making process, Britz’s passion and drive to try something new has earned him this prestigious All Star award.

Jamie Britz and Jim Koronkiewicz, General Manager of BPM Inc., attended the NEW North Summit on Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Kolf Sports Center – UW Oshkosh, where Britz and the seven other Wisconsin All Stars were recognized for their accomplishments. Key note speakers included, Mark Murphy, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Green Bay Packers and Governor-Elect, State of Wisconsin, Scott Walker.



Jamie Britz, Paper Machine Operator at BPM Inc., has been awarded a 2011 NEWMA All Star Award. Picture courtesy of Alex Zacarias, Educational Television Productions of Northeast Wisconsin.

NEW Manufacturing Alliance’s third annual manufacturing All Stars recognition publication can be viewed online at [www.newmfgalliance.org](http://www.newmfgalliance.org) and click on the cover. A short video is currently available for viewing at [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) search: BPM: 2011 NEW Manufacturing Alliance All Star.

BPM Inc. manufactures specialty papers and converted papers for the food service and packaging industries. The firm also makes uncoated paper, Envirographic™ 100 from 100% post consumer waste recycled materials and is committed to environmental sustainability. Last year, the firm committed to reducing energy intensity through the Save Energy Now® program through the U.S. Department of Energy. BPM was also awarded the Governor’s Award for Excellence in Energy Efficiency given by the Wisconsin Paper Council that year.

“BPM is extremely proud of Jamie and our entire organization. We are committed to helping our team members achieve their greatest potential,” says Mitchell Mekaelian, VP of Sales and Marketing. Our business is open, supportive and friendly. We foster an environment of continuous learning and growth.”

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*The NEW Manufacturing Alliance (NEWMA) is a group of manufactures, working with education institutions, workforce development boards, chambers of commerce and state organizations to promote manufacturing throughout Northeast Wisconsin.*

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