

**MEDIA STATEMENT**



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## **Accuform Signs Director of Plant Operations Stephanie Adams Receives the Manufacturing Institute's STEP Award**

**Brooksville, FL, January 7, 2014** – Accuform Signs, North America's leading manufacturer of facility identification solutions, announced today that Director of Plant Operations Stephanie Adams will receive the Manufacturing Institute's STEP Award this February in Washington, D.C.

The award honors and promotes the role of women in the manufacturing industry through recognition, research and leadership. Only 120 women have received this recognition over the course of a two-year period.

Accuform Signs Chief Executive Officer Wayne Johnson said of the award, "This is a tremendous validation of Stephanie's hard work, knowledge and dedication. Here at Accuform, Stephanie has direct oversight of the organization's multi-million dollar manufacturing floor as well as oversight of a multi-million dollar order flow through three production buildings here in Brooksville and Toronto, Ontario."



Dave Johnson, President of Accuform Signs added, "Stephanie's rise has been remarkable, but even more remarkable is her invaluable knowledge of the organization. She's an integral player on the Accuform team. He continued, "Our success is largely built on not just people, but the right people for the right job. Stephanie's career wound a unique path from the manufacturing floor to her position as Director and a member of our Leadership Team today."

The 2014 STEP Awards Dinner Program will be hosted on February 6th, 2014 at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium in Washington, D.C.

### **About Accuform Signs**

**Accuform Signs**, located in Brooksville, FL, is the leading manufacturer of facility safety identification products. Founded in 1976, Accuform Signs sells products to a network of distributors throughout North America, South America and Asia. From personalized safety signs, safety tags and labels, to traffic safety and lockout/tag out products, Accuform Signs provides the products and sales support for the distributors that define the safety industry.

### **About the manufacturing Institute's STEP Award**

The Manufacturing Institute will award 160 Honorees with the Women in Manufacturing STEP (Science, Technology, Engineering and Production) Award. The STEP Awards honor women who have demonstrated excellence and leadership in their careers and represent all levels of the manufacturing industry, from the factory-floor to the C-suite. The STEP Awards are part of the larger **STEP Ahead initiative**, founded last year to examine and promote the role of women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Production through recognition, research, and best practices for attracting, advancing, and retaining strong female talent.

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