



# Rice Technical Working Group

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## RTWG AWARD NOMINATIONS

**Deadline for receipt of nominations is December 1, 2007.**

The **Distinguished Rice Research and Education Award** may be made to one individual and to one team at each RTWG meeting in recognition of a recent achievement and distinction in one or more of the following areas:

1. Significant and original basic and/or applied research; and/or
2. Creative reasoning and skill in obtaining significant advances in education programs, public relations, or administrative skills, which advance the science, motivate progress, and promise technical advances in the rice industry.

The **Distinguished Service Award** may be made to designated individuals who have given notable long-term service to the rice industry in areas of research, education, international agriculture, administration, and industry rice technology.

Guidelines for RTWG Awards are listed below and are also located on page 224 of the Proceedings of the 31st RTWG. The Awards Committee (i.e., composed of members of the Executive committee, see Web page listing) cannot nominate or write letters of support.

Those making nominations for the awards shall be responsible for supplying evidence to support the nomination, including three (3) recommendation letters. A one-page summary of accomplishments should also be included with each nomination. This summary will be published in the RTWG Proceedings for each award participant. Please send 15 complete copies of nomination packets, including a letter of nomination and three supporting letters by December 1, 2007 to:

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## **GUIDELINES FOR RTWG AWARDS**

The RTWG Chair shall solicit nominations, and when appropriate, award on a biennial basis the following types of awards:

### **The Distinguished Rice Research and/or Education Award**

Individual category. An award may be made to one individual at each RTWG meeting in recognition of recent achievement and distinction in one or more of the following: (1) significant and original basic and/or applied

research, (2) creative reasoning and skill in obtaining significant advances in education programs, public relations, or administrative skills - which advance the science, motivate progress and promise technical advances in the rice industry.

Team category. Same as the individual category, except that one team may be recognized at each RTWG meeting. All members of the team will be listed on each certificate.

### **The Distinguished Service Award**

Awards are made to individuals who have given distinguished long-term service to the rice industry in areas of research, education, international agriculture, administration, and industrial rice technology. Although the award is intended to recognize contributions of a long duration, usually upon retirement from active service, significant contributions over a period of several years shall be considered as a basis of recognition.

The Awards Committee shall consist of the Executive Committee. The duties of the Awards Committee are:

1. To solicit nominations for the awards in advance of the biennial meeting of the RTWG. Awards Committee Members cannot nominate or write letters of support for an individual or team for the RTWG awards.
2. To review all nominations and select worthy recipients for the appropriate awards. Selection on awardees will be determined by a simple majority vote. The Awards Committee Chair (same as the Executive Committee Chair) can only vote in case of a tie. The names of recipients shall be kept confidential, but recipients shall be invited to be present to receive the award.
3. To arrange for a suitable presentation at the Biennial RTWG Meeting.
4. To select appropriate certificates for presentation to the recipients of the Awards.