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**THE CONNECTICUT TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL HOSTS THIRD ANNUAL
Cantor Colburn / CCAT INNOVATION PIPELINE AWARDS**

**EMERGING TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES HONORED FOR THEIR
POTENTIAL AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Connecticut Technology Companies Present Technology in Poster Fair

Over 350 entrepreneurs, investors and service providers gathered on Thursday, September 17, 2009 at The Omni Hotel in New Haven for the Third-Annual Innovation Pipeline Awards, a celebration of the most promising early stage and emerging technology companies in Connecticut that are considered to have the best potential to be a successful enterprise.

This event was part of a larger event being held that day called the **Cantor Colburn/CCAT Innovation and Entrepreneurship Summit** and included a northeast angel investor summit sponsored by **The Angel Investor Forum** (www.angelinvestorforum.com/). Over 80 angel investors from Connecticut Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania attended. A key component of the evening's program saw 119 "Companies to Watch" sharing their products and services with the attendees as exhibitors in a poster fair.

The evening's keynote was delivered by Jeffrey Sohl, Director of the [Center for Venture Research](#) and Professor of Entrepreneurship and Decision Sciences at the Whittemore School of Business and Economics at the University of New Hampshire. He offered his insights as to current trends in angel investing in the U.S.

The awards event and the Innovation Pipeline program were sponsored by the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology (CCAT), Cantor Colburn LLC, Connecticut Innovations, CNA Insurance, the Economic Development Corporation of New Haven, Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP, Fiondella Milone & LaSaracina, Microsoft Corporation, Open Solutions Inc. and Wellstone Insurance.

The 2009 Innovation Pipeline Awards winners:

1. **The Most New Patent(s)**
Precision Combustion, Inc., North Haven
2. **The Most Significant Early Stage Capital Investment**
Continuity Engine, Monroe
3. **The Deal of the Year**
Oxford Performance Materials, Enfield
4. **The Most Promising Technology Product or Service of the Year**

YouRenew.com, New Haven

5. The Most Promising Software Product of the Year (two winners this year)

Weston Software, Incorporated, Southport

Retail Optimization Incorporated, New Haven

6. The Most Promising New Internet/New Media Company of the Year

PaperG, New Haven

7. The Most Promising Life Sciences Company of the Year

Genomas, Incorporated, Hartford

8. The Most Promising New Green Tech Company of the Year

Apollo Solar, Bethel

9. The SBIR Funding Deal of the Year

ELKA Precision, LLC, Bristol

ABOUT CCAT

The Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, Inc. (ccat.us) is a non-stock, tax exempt corporation that provides services and resources to entrepreneurs and businesses, and through collaboration with industry, academia, and government, helps companies innovate and compete, thereby strengthening our nation in the global market.

About CTC

Founded in 1994, the Connecticut Technology Council (ctc.org) is a 501 c 6 business association that speaks for 2,500 firms in the state ranging from large multi-nationals to hundreds of early stage start-ups. The Council presents over 40 events a year for thousands of attendees, featuring and recognizing firms for business growth, innovation potential and women in technology leadership. CTC is an advocate for the role of innovation, tech transfer and early stage capital in Connecticut. Led by a 42-person board, the Council is chaired by Chris Kalish, executive Director of the GE Edgelab at UCONN-Stamford.

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