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Vora to be Honored for Contributions and Achievements in Quality

Recipients to be honored at World Conference on Quality and Improvement

NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS, FEBRUARY 18, 2013 — Dr. Manu K. Vora, of Naperville, Illinois, USA, will be honored by ASQ, the world's largest network of quality resources and experts, for his innovative contributions and achievements in quality. Dr. Vora will be recognized with 9 others on May 5, 2013 in Indianapolis, Ind., ahead of ASQ's World Conference on Quality and Improvement.

Dr. Vora will receive **2013 ASQ's Spencer Hutchens Medal** for his commitment to social responsibility in founding, funding, and leading the Blind Foundation for India to serve over 15 million blind people in India.

Dr. Vora is Chairman and President of Business Excellence, Inc., a global quality management service firm. He has over 38 years of leadership experience guiding Fortune 500 companies with Baldrige Performance Excellence assessment in the areas of leadership development, customer satisfaction, employee engagement, and process excellence. Since 1993, he teaches "Quality Management" and "Project Management" courses at various business schools in the Chicago area. He is a Past Vice President of ASQ, ASQ Fellow, and ASQ Certified Quality Engineer.

Dr. Vora has B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering and MBA with Marketing Management. He is a sought after speaker on business excellence and quality management topics with over 315 presentations globally and has published over 40 articles in professional journals. He has delivered executive Education to audiences in Africa, Caribbean, Europe, Far East, Latin America, Middle East, and USA. Dr. Vora is serving on the Board of Examiners of the International Asia Pacific Global Performance Excellence Award Program since 2004. He is recognized with numerous awards from ASQ including Grant Medal for his quality management training contributions, Lancaster Medal for his contributions to the International quality community, and Distinguished Service Medal for his life-long service to Society.

Dr. Vora joins 9 others being recognized by ASQ. For a full list of winners, visit http://www.asq.org/media-room/press-releases/2013/20130211-asq-medals-and-awards.html. For more information about ASQ awards, visit the ASQ website at www.asq.org/about-asq/awards.

About ASQ

ASQ is a global community of people dedicated to quality who share the ideas and tools that make our world work better. With millions of individual and organizational members of the community in 150 countries, ASQ has the reputation and reach to bring together the diverse quality champions who are transforming the world's corporations, organizations, and communities to meet tomorrow's critical challenges. ASQ is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., with national service centers in China, India, and Mexico. Learn more about ASQ's members, mission, technologies, and training at www.asq.org.