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## Tejas Tubular Products Leaders Honored

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The Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (HHCC) honored Maximo A. Tejeda, President and CEO of Tejas Tubular Products, Inc. with the Male Hispanic Entrepreneur of the Year award at its annual gala on Saturday, November 1, 2014. Tejeda received this prestigious award for his outstanding contributions to the Houston business community. In his Chamber interview Tejeda said, “The importance of the oil and gas industry in Houston should be emphasized in our business community. I should also stress that Hispanic entrepreneurs in the Houston area must vigorously pursue their business ideas and ideals to increase economic growth, jobs and wealth for our community”. “In addition, said Tejeda, I am completely humbled by this experience and would like to thank the Tejas Tubular Team for making this possible. I feel that Tejas must follow a path of continuous improvement to help create long-term American energy security. Creating American jobs is the number one goal for our company—it is the best way to strengthen our domestic economy and help secure a US leadership position in the world market.



*Maximo A. Tejeda receives the 2014 Houston Hispanic Male Entrepreneur of the Year Award*

The Awards Gala, held on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, was attended by an estimated 1,200 guests and took place at the Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. The Chamber took this opportunity to present the 2014 Graduating Class of the Emerging Leaders Institute (ELI). Shawn Portales, External Affairs Manager at Tejas Tubular and graduate of the 2014 ELI, was recognized by the HHCC as an emerging Leader at this year’s gala.

The Emerging Leaders Institute of the Greater Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Foundation identifies, develops and empowers juniors and seniors from area universities and young professionals in their leadership training program.



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*Tejas Tubular Products, Inc. currently has manufacturing facilities in Houston, Texas, Stephenville, Texas and New Carlisle, Indiana. The company is one of the leading manufacturers and suppliers of oil country tubular goods for the petroleum industry and offers a complete range of OCTG products serving conventional, offshore and unconventional production projects. The Tejas product lines include petroleum production products such as casing, tubing, couplings and tubular accessories as well as drilling products including HDD drill pipe, oilfield drill pipe, drill collars and drill string accessories.*

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