



# DETROIT TESTING LABORATORY, INC.

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## Detroit Testing Laboratory, Inc. Presents Achievement Awards

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In 2005, Detroit Testing Laboratory (DTL) established two annual achievement awards to recognize individuals or groups of employees who have made the most significant contributions to the success of the company. These awards, named for William Putnam (who founded DTL in 1903) and Pier Talenti (who led a significant expansion of DTL during his 21 years of leadership), recognize employees who excel in advancing DTL's or our customers' technology (William Putnam Award) and are a model of hard work and dedication (Pier Talenti Award). Nominations for these awards are submitted by the DTL management group, with final award winners selected by Executive Management based on supporting information from respective managers, supervisors and co-workers. Each award includes a formal presentation of a certificate of achievement, a substantial cash award, and inscribed recognition on respective company award plaques. The awards are presented at the end of each year during the company holiday luncheon.

The **2010 William P. Putnam Technology Award** was presented to **Steve Labadie** for his contribution to DTL's Electrical Engineering lab. Steve, employed with DTL since 1998, was recognized for his tireless dedication and creative efforts at meeting difficult timing and complex requirements on several significant projects, as well as the invaluable help and support he provides to his team. Steve's wide-range of talents compliments his ability to meet the most aggressive deadlines through creative solutions and he regularly receives accolades from customers for the extraordinary service he provides.

The **2010 Pier F. Talenti Leadership Award** was presented to **Mary Soumis** for her outstanding leadership and character contribution to DTL. Ms. Soumis' positive attitude, dedication and hard work are very important to DTL in her role as Purchasing and Accounting Coordinator. An employee of DTL since 2006, Ms. Soumis is a tireless worker carrying a huge workload with little or no direction necessary from DTL management. She received the most support from the employees as the person most worthy of this award. Ms. Soumis was a 2009 finalist for this award.

### About Detroit Testing Laboratory, Inc.

Detroit Testing Laboratory, Inc. is an independent ISO 17025 accredited testing and development laboratory, providing calibration, electrical, mechanical, battery, fuel systems, environmental, dynamics, and materials testing services to automotive, military, aerospace and industrial clients since 1903. More information can be found at [www.dtl-inc.com](http://www.dtl-inc.com).