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Grindmaster-Cecilware Wins Award as Top 10 Supplier to Wendy's Restaurants

Quality Supply Chain Co-op, Inc. (QSCC), the independent purchasing cooperative for restaurants owned by The Wendy's Company® and its franchisees, recently honored Grindmaster-Cecilware Corporation as one of its top 10 suppliers and distributors.

The Golden Link Award for Supply Chain Excellence is QSCC's highest honor for its supplier and distributor partners. Winners were chosen from more than 430 companies in three categories: food & beverages, building materials & equipment, and distribution.

"Grindmaster-Cecilware won a 2014 contract to supply 20,000 tea urns for Wendy's new tea program by providing very competitive pricing and by exceeding expectations for product design, production deadlines, quality assurance, and safety," said QSCC President John Inwright. "They also provided exceptional support to QSCC and Wendy's before, during, and after union labor issues impacted shipments to West Coast ports."

"Grindmaster-Cecilware consistently demonstrates outstanding dedication, innovation, commitment, and service to QSCC and the Wendy's system," Inwright added. "Partners who win the Golden Link Award are truly in a class above the rest, and they always look for new ways to reduce costs and increase value for our members."

About QSCC

Based in Dublin, Ohio, Quality Supply Chain Co-op, Inc. (QSCC) is an independent, not-for-profit purchasing cooperative that is jointly owned by its members (The Wendy's Company and its U.S. franchisees). QSCC provides purchasing and distribution of food and other products and services for all Wendy's restaurants in North America. With more than \$3 billion in annual spend, QSCC is the second-largest foodservice purchasing cooperative in North America. For more information, visit wqsc.com.

About The Wendy's Company

Based in Dublin, Ohio, The Wendy's Company is the world's third-largest quick-service hamburger company. The Wendy's system includes more than 6,500 franchise and Company-operated restaurants in the United States and 27 countries and U.S. territories worldwide. For more information, visit aboutwendys.com or wendys.com.

About Grindmaster-Cecilware

Grindmaster-Cecilware is headquartered in Louisville, KY with locations in Illinois and Thailand. The company is owned and managed by BNY Mezzanine Partners, L.P. Alcentra Group.

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Grindmaster-Cecilware, parent company of Grindmaster®, Cecilware®, American Metal Ware™, and Crathco®, offers an extensive selection of beverage equipment and a commercial-grade foodservice equipment line that is the single source equipment solution for the industry. A leader in the industry for over 100 years, Grindmaster-Cecilware has a passion for product innovation, quality workmanship, and world-class customer service. This passion results in profitable solutions for customers and partnerships that ensure long-term success.

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