



## Agri-Trade Equipment Expo announces 2017 Ag Innovations Winners

(Red Deer, Alberta – September 1, 2017) The 34th Agri-Trade Equipment Expo is set to open at Westerner Park in Red Deer from November 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017. For four days explore the newest equipment, technology, and services in the agriculture industry – not just in Western Canada, but globally – including the newest in agricultural innovations.

Innovation is the lifeblood of agriculture, and Agri-Trade is where agricultural producers get to experience it first-hand. Each year, exhibitors are invited to enter their newest ideas and advancements into the Ag Innovations awards program brought to you FMC Canada. A panel of innovative farmers and business people look over each submission and pick the very best to highlight.

“It is always difficult to get it down to 3 winners,” comments Rod Bradshaw, Ag Innovations Committee Chair and Innisfail area crop and vegetable producer. “The technology is diversifying every year, and the ideas keep getting better. We believe this year’s winning entries will have broad appeal and could be readily adopted by a lot of farmers.”

**1) First place this year is awarded to Arnold Innovations for the Combine Cylinder Reversers.** The Combine Cylinder Reversers are designed to provide ease and efficiency when reversing the cylinder. Using hydraulics and a custom engineered wrench allows the cylinders to be reversed. With a few easy steps, one of AI’s reversers will have your combine unplugged and on the go again.

**2) Second place goes to ScherGain for the ScherGain Drop Pan,** This is the first “drop pan” that can be mounted on any make or model of combine without using other components. It is self contained and can easily be moved to and from any machine within seconds. This drop pan has a measuring system that requires no calculations. Simply pour the sample into the “grain gauge” and check the chart with the corresponding numbers to give you your loss per acre. A simple all in one solution for calculating grain loss.

**3) Third place is awarded to PowerLift Hydraulic Doors for the Hydraulic Doors.** This door is operated using hydraulic cylinders. With minimal moving parts it virtually eliminates any maintenance with no loss of headroom. Up to 80ft wide and 24ft high these doors have no cables, rollers, or springs and can still be operated with power outage or no power at all.

“We look forward to showcasing these winners along with the rest of the Exhibitors Agri-Trade this year.” Comments Dave Fiddler Agri-Trade Show Manager. “Instead of awarding a prize as in the past we now provide each of these winners the opportunity to choose a charity of their choice to donate \$1,500 . We look forward to presenting these charities the donations during the show”.

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