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Epicor Congratulates 2014 Beacon Awards Winners***Epicor Eagle Users Named Winners in Three Categories of
Second Annual Awards Program at The Hardware Conference***

AUSTIN, Texas, September 9, 2014 -- Epicor Software Corporation, a global leader in [business software solutions](#) for manufacturing, distribution, retail and services organizations, today congratulated three Epicor Eagle users as winners of the 2014 Beacon Awards. The second annual awards program recognized winners on September 5, 2014 at an awards banquet during the 26th annual [The Hardware Conference](#) at the Marco Island Marriott in Marco Island, Florida.

The 2014 Beacon Award winners, honored at The Hardware Conference, are:

- *Best New Store over 20,000 square feet:* Geneva Ace Hardware of Illinois
- *Ace Retail Beacon Award:* University Ace Hardware of Alabama
- *True Value Retail Beacon Award:* True Value of Concord, North Carolina

"It's important for the industry to have a first-class national awards program to honor outstanding retailers in the industry and to encourage others to step up their operations to attract customers to their stores in the face of increasing competition," said Tom Delph, director, Beacon Awards. "There is no better place to conduct this award program than at The Hardware Conference, which is the industry's largest gathering of independent retailers representing different wholesalers. And, with The Hardware Connection online magazine, their accomplishments receive industry-wide attention."

The Beacon Awards is a national industry awards program developed by The Hardware Conference and *The Hardware Connection* magazine to recognize the "best of the best" independent hardware and home center retailers in the United States. Sponsored by Epicor, the Beacon Awards is designed to honor outstanding new hardware and home center retailers and leaders in the categories of community service, lifetime achievement, new stores, and innovative dealers, among others.

"We are pleased to also have industry manufacturers, vendors and wholesalers that support the program as sponsors," continued Delph. "Epicor has been a major sponsor of the program from the beginning and has helped make the program a success, as well as a list of other major sponsors. Industry wholesalers like Ace Hardware Corp., True Value Corp. and Orgill, Inc. also support and sponsor the program."

"We are proud to congratulate Geneva Ace Hardware of Illinois, University Ace Hardware of Alabama, True Value of Concord, North Carolina as winners in this year's esteemed Beacon Awards program," said Doug Smith, senior product manager, retail distribution solutions at Epicor. "This recognition is a

demonstration of their successful business operations and industry influence. As we collaborate with each retail business -- providing unrivaled business solutions and partnerships -- we hope to inspire enhanced customer experiences, and streamlined processes that excel businesses today and into the future.”

The full profiles of all Beacon Award winners and coverage of the 2014 Beacon Awards banquet can be found in the September/October 2014 issue of *The Hardware Connection*. Learn more about the Beacon Awards at www.thehardwareconnection.com/beacon-awards.

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