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SEN. COLLINS' RECEIVES LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR SUPPORT OF MAINE'S MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership Director Presents Sen. Collins with Award

Above: Pictured with Senator Collins is Rod Rodrigue, Exec Director of Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership

WASHINGTON, DC-The American Small Manufacturing Coalition has honored Senator Susan Collins with the "Legislative Champion of the Year Award" for her support of the manufacturing industry in Maine and throughout the nation. The award was presented to her last night in a ceremony by Rod Rodrigue, Executive Director of the Maine MEP.

Rodrigue commended Senator Collins for being a leader in the Senate on issues that impact the manufacturing industry. "When I think of Senator Collins, I don't think of her in the Senate Chambers. What comes to mind is talking with her on the manufacturing floor at Windham Millworks, at Hussey Seating, at Brunswick Defense, at Bath Iron Works, or saving thousands of jobs at Portsmouth Navy Yard. In doing so, she has been able to make a concrete and positive impact on the lives of thousands of manufacturing workers whose employers have been strengthened through services of the MEP and whose jobs are more secure because of her leadership," said Rodrigue.

He called it an honor and privilege to present Senator Collins the award.

The Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership provides support to help strengthen Maine's manufacturing industry.