



Intermodal Association of North America

Intermodal Innovation Award

Definition

The Intermodal Innovation Award is presented to a for-profit business entity, non-profit organization, educational institution or government agency that has made a significant contribution or innovation to the advancement of the intermodal freight transportation industry.

Frequency

This is intended to be an annual award; however, IANA may choose not to offer this award in any given year, in the event that no appropriate candidates are identified.

Candidate Criteria

Membership in IANA is not required.

Members may not nominate their own companies.

Current sitting members of IANA's Board of Directors may not nominate a company or companies, nor may their company be nominated for the Intermodal Innovation Award.

The award is made to a candidate that meets the following criteria:

1. Candidates may be any for-profit business entity, non-profit organization, educational institution or government agency that has made a recognizable and measurable contribution to the advancement of intermodal freight transportation within the past 12 months.
2. Contributions may include, but will not be limited to:
 - New product or service innovation that has encouraged an increase in the use of intermodal transportation.
 - Process improvements made by intermodal carriers, customers and suppliers that have measurably improved the customer service, quality, safety, value, visibility or velocity of the intermodal shipping experience.
 - Financial commitments made to foster improvements in the intermodal industry.
 - Legislative cooperation and commitment.
 - Academic or journalistic contribution that has advanced the awareness, understanding, development and growth of intermodal products and services with industry stakeholders, legislative and regulatory decisionmakers, and the general public.

Nomination/Selection Process

On or around January 1 of each year, the Chair of the IANA Board shall appoint five sitting board members to the Industry Awards Nominating Committee (IANC) with representation

from each of the five IANA Membership Divisions and will designate a Chair for the committee.

1. IANA will issue a general “Call for Intermodal Innovation Award Nominees” to the Voting Representatives of the Association on or around March 15 each year. Members will be directed to submit nominations to the IANC member of their choice. Nominations will close on or around April 15.
2. The IANC will review and eliminate any nomination that does not meet the minimum requirements of the award. A nomination must pass with the support of the majority of all of the IANC members (three members of five).
3. The IANC will recommend a slate of nominations that will be presented to the full IANA Board of Directors for consideration on or around May 1.
4. During its May meeting, the full IANA Board of Directors will vote on the nominations presented by the IANC with the nominee receiving the most number of votes named recipient of that year’s Intermodal Innovation Award.
5. An announcement of the award recipient will be issued around the second week of June. The award recipient will be notified prior to the public announcement.
6. The Intermodal Innovation Award will be presented at IANA’s Intermodal EXPO.