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DOLE: NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR NATIONAL MEDAL OF TECHNOLOGY

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Nominations are now being accepted by the U.S. Department of Commerce for the National Medal of Technology, according to Kansas Sen. Bob Dole.

Medals are awarded by the president to individuals and companies for outstanding contributions in the promotion of U.S. technology or technological manpower.

"Kansans are an inventive people, with an ability to meet a challenge head on," said Sen. Dole. "With outstanding contributions in such fields as agriculture, aviation and petrochemical engineering I'm sure there are many Kansas companies and individuals worthy of consideration for this award."

Medal winners must demonstrate that the impact of their contribution to the economy has led to a competitive advantage in their particular market. The ingenious use of new or well established technology, and a display of persistence, risk-taking and entrepreneurial skill is also a requirement.

Six medals were presented in March during White House ceremonies, recognizing achievements such as pioneering new dinnerware and jet engine materials. The next series of awards will be made in 1987, and nominations are now being solicited for awards expected to be made in 1988.

Instructions and nomination forms are available from Philip Goodman, executive director, National Medal of Technology Nomination Evaluation Committee, Room 4824, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230.