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DowDuPont CEO Ed Breen to Receive Leadership Award from New York American Chemical Society CME Group

The business, investments and technology group of the American Chemical Society New York Section recognizes leader for historic corporate reinvention

New York City and Wilmington, DE – March 30, 2018 – The [Chemical Marketing and Economics](#) (CME) group of the American Chemical Society’s New York Section, announced that Edward D. Breen, chief executive officer of DowDuPont, will receive the Leadership Award for Historic Corporate Reinvention on December 4, 2018 at the New York Metropolitan Club.

Mergers and acquisitions are common practice in the evolution of the corporate world. But rare is the ability to navigate the complex commercial, financial and global regulatory hurdles to make a reality the largest merger in the history of the chemical industry, and the fourth biggest of all time. This achievement has been the result of Mr. Breen’s exceptional leadership, which is profoundly changing a number of industry segments.

DowDuPont combined the complementary portfolios, resources and capabilities of Dow and DuPont to create three strong, focused independent companies in Agriculture, Materials Science and Specialty Products. Each intended company will be a global leader in its respective industry, deploying productive, science-based innovation to meet the needs of customers and help solve global challenges.

“The transformational, bold leadership needed to reshape two legendary portfolios of businesses into three highly focused companies, each with a clear strategy and mission, is a centennial event,” Mr. George Rodriguez, Leadership Awards founder and CME Past Chair noted. “DowDuPont is implementing a game-changing plan with a colossal impact on global manufacturing. And Ed is a highly respected CEO with a proven record of business ethics, strategic vision, impeccable execution and focus on growth.”

“It is a special privilege to be recognized by the world’s largest scientific society for the work we are doing to bring together the highly complementary portfolios of Dow and DuPont in order to create three industry-leading growth companies. Through a rigorous integration process we are enabling these businesses to connect science to the marketplace in a more focused and productive way and create new solutions for our customers’ challenges,” said Mr. Breen. “I am an enthusiastic supporter of the CME’s work, including its focus on STEM education, and look forward to participating in the celebration of its 64 years of dedication to important programs to teach our industry about critical scientific advances.”

Ed Breen Biography

Prior to his role at DowDuPont, Mr. Breen was the chair of the board and CEO of DuPont, a role which he assumed in November 2015, after joining the board of directors in February 2015 and being named interim chair of the board and CEO in October. Mr. Breen served as chairman and CEO of Tyco

International plc (“Tyco”) from July 2002 until September 2012. Over the course of his tenure, he transformed Tyco into a strong market leader, reviving the company from near bankruptcy and rebuilding the company's brand and credibility. He oversaw a successful restructuring, including divesting non-core operations resulting in the spin-offs of Covidien, TE Connectivity, ADT Corporation and the merger of Tyco Flow Control with Pentair. He also established and met goals within areas of operational excellence and corporate governance.

Prior to joining Tyco, Mr. Breen held several senior management positions at Motorola from 2000 to 2002, including as president and chief operating officer. Mr. Breen is credited with instituting cost management programs that made Motorola a more efficient and effective organization and led the company back to profitability. From December 1997 to January 2000, he served as chairman, president and chief executive officer of General Instrument Corporation where he created significant long-term shareholder value by driving a revenue growth strategy. Between 1994 and 1997, Mr. Breen was president of the Broadband Networks Group for General Instrument, president of Eastern Operations for the Communications Division and served as executive vice president of Terrestrial Systems.

Mr. Breen currently serves as lead independent director of Comcast Corporation. He also serves as a member of the advisory board of New Mountain Capital LLC, a private equity firm. Mr. Breen has been awarded numerous governance awards including being named one of the "100 Most Influential People in Business Ethics" by Ethisphere.

The CME Leadership Awards™ honors leaders with distinction in harnessing the transformative power of chemistry to advance humanity. Past honorees include Jon M. Huntsman (Huntsman), Roy Vagelos (Merck, Regeneron), Craig Venter (Longevity), Andrew Liveris (Dow), Charles Bolden (NASA), David Cote (Honeywell), Chris Pappas (Trinseo), Jean-Pierre Clamadiou (Solvay) and David Skorton (Smithsonian).

Dr. Thomas Connelly, ACS CEO and Executive Director, will participate in the 2018 CME Leadership Awards™. Funds raised for the CME ACS event will help advance exciting STEM programs including ACS Scholars and the ACS-NASA Space Exploration Symposium to be held on August 21, 2018 as part of ACS 256th National Meeting in Boston, MA.

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