WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN
2012 NATIONAL ROBOTICS LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

NTMA Sponsored League Helps Students
Learn Skills Needed for Careers in Manufacturing

Independence, OH: After two days of intense robot gladiator competition in Indianapolis, the winners of the 2012 National Robotics League (NRL) Championships were announced on Sunday, May 6. The National Championship matches featured student teams who competed in NRL-sanctioned competitions across the U.S. Awards were given to the following schools:

Grand Champion: Still 'N' Shock 2 from Plum Senior High School, Plum, PA

1st place: UC3 from North St. Paul High School, Maplewood, MN

2nd place: Still 'N' Shock 2 from Plum Senior High School, Plum, PA

3rd place: Fabius from Cambridge Springs High School, Cambridge Springs, PA

Best documentation: Still 'N' Shock 2 from Plum Senior High School, Plum, PA
“On behalf of NTMA, I would like to extend a special congratulations to the highest scoring teams,” said Rob Akers, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of NTMA. “We consider all twenty-two teams who participated in the Championships winners because the skills they have learned will continue to grow the U.S. manufacturing sector.”

NTMA founded the NRL to help change misperceptions about manufacturing and attract a new generation of students to well-paying technical careers. The program partners teams of middle school, high school, and post-secondary school students with local NTMA manufacturers to work together to build robots designed to do battle. The result is not only a destruction-driven face-off of incredible machines, but also an opportunity to develop high-tech skills and cultivate the interest of a new generation of students who will determine the future of manufacturing.

Photos and video from the Championships are available at http://www.facebook.com/GoNRL/videos.

For additional information, visit the NRL website at www.gonrl.org. For more information on NTMA, visit www.ntma.org.

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excess of $40 billion a year. NTMA’s mission is to help members of the U.S. precision custom manufacturing industry achieve business success in a global economy through advocacy, advice, networking, information, programs and services.