

For small business to compete today, it takes initiative. Blue Chip Enterprise Initiative

Small business is the engine that drives the American economy.

Today our nation's small businesses are America's new Blue Chip companies, creating jobs and providing the innovation our nation needs to compete.



More important, they inspire others.

They have been willing to share their experience, successes, even their mistakes. They believe, as we do, that all of America will benefit from this exchange.

Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Nation's Business salute the companies that participated in The Blue Chip Enterprise Initiative, now in its third year.

Their Blue Chip Enterprise Award applications tell compelling stories of challenge and commitment, of overcoming adversity and emerging stronger. And we congratulate **Aquathin**, honored this year as a National Blue Chip Enterprise, for their exceptional resourcefulness, resilience and determination.

For this is no mere awards program. With the support of 200 volunteer judges and hundreds of participating Chambers of Commerce, the Blue Chip Enterprise Initiative is an ongoing effort to extend the quality and competitiveness of American business, by sharing the insights gained through the award search with chamber members throughout the year.

We salute **Aquathin**.

Their initiative is America's inspiration.