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### **B.L. Downey Company Receives DuPont Star Coater<sup>SM</sup> Certification**

B.L. Downey Company LLC is pleased to announce it has achieved DuPont Star Coater<sup>SM</sup> certification for REBAR, after an audit of its operations by DuPont CoatingSolutions.

The audit focused on process review, part preparation, application, cure, quality tests, employee training, safety, customer satisfaction, DuPont loyalty and federal, state and local code compliance. Achieving Star Coater certification status demonstrates to customers that B.L. Downey Company meets the high standards of DuPont CoatingSolutions.

“DuPont CoatingSolutions established the Star Coater Program to assist custom coaters in facing the many demands of their industry with a continuous improvement mentality. B. L Downey Company is a perfect example,” said Trena Benson, marketing manager, DuPont CoatingSolutions. “Going one step further to obtain the certification differentiates B.L. Downey as a quality-oriented, customer-focused coater,” she said.

“We are committed to on-going safety, learning, and improvement processes and appreciate the considerable knowledge base our entire company gained by participating in the Star Coater Program. It was a valuable experience that will not only benefit our employees and our company, but also our customers,” said David Wasz, president of B.L. Downey Company. “We’re proud to be part of the DuPont Star Coater Program to demonstrate our commitment to the highest coating standards in the industry,” he said.

### **About B.L. Downey Company LLC**

B.L. Downey Company specializes in coating metal products and is one of the largest e-coating and powder coating facilities in the nation with 325,000 sq. ft. and 175 employees under one roof. The Company operates twelve powder and dip coating lines, five electrodeposition-coating (e-coating) lines for epoxy in five colors, and four Wheelabrator shot blast machines. Powder and dip coating in epoxy, vinyl, nylon, plasticol, polyester, or acrylic is available in any color. In addition to coating metal products for OEM’s and contractors, B.L. Downey Company also fabricates and delivers light poles with or without a special anti-graffiti coating to municipalities and commercial customers around the nation. The Company is ISO 9001-2000 certified and has a 52-year track record of experience and flexibility to meet any customer’s needs, including quick turn-arounds, and can handle large volumes of small parts, as well as very large and awkward parts measuring up to 50’ long and weighing up to 10,000 lbs.