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This guide is provided to help you with placing your Innovations 2010 entry in the appropriate category. Definitions of the product categories and examples of product entries are listed under the **ORANGE BOLDFACE TYPE** award categories.

Review this guide to determine the best fit for your product. If you have further questions about award categories or your entry, please contact Innovations@CE.org. Please note that the judges may move your product to another category, if deemed necessary.

AUDIO ACCESSORIES

Products designed to enable, enhance, connect and/or maintain home audio systems and components. Examples include:

Antennas Microphones Storage Products **CD Care Products** Disc-Based Micro Storage Devices Wires and Cables

AUDIO COMPONENTS

Products designed to deliver, control, store and/or manage audio content including records, tapes, discbased audio, MP3 and hard drive storage. Examples include:

Amplifiers CD Changers **CD Players** Compact/Shelf Systems **Digital Sound Projectors**

DJ Equipment **DVD** Audio Players

Equalizers

Home-Based Internet Audio Devices Home-Based Satellite Radio Products

Micro/Desktop Systems

Mini-Systems Mixing Boards **Audio Component Products**

Audio Products Audio Systems Professional Audio

Portable Audio Player Docking Stations

Preamplifiers Rack Systems

Satellite Radio Enabled Receivers Stand Alone Surround Sound Processors

Tuners Turntables

Under-Cabinet, Wall Mounted

COMPUTER ACCESSORIES

Products designed primarily around single use functionality to enable, enhance, connect, power and/or maintain desktop and/or portable computer systems. Examples include:

Cables and Connectors Carrying Cases **Ergonomic Products** Mobile Computing Accessories Monitor Glare Screens

Mousepads **Ergonomic Products** PC Cooling Products Power Adapters Storage Products Wrist Rest Bars



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COMPUTER HARDWARE

Includes all desktop and portable computer systems capable of accepting user input, storing, and retrieving data, displaying or outputting a video signal and are capable of running application software. Does not include products whose primary purpose is making and receiving phone calls. Examples include:

Desktop Computers Netbooks

Hand-Held PC Notebook Computers

Mobile Computing Devices

Moble Internet Devices

Tablet PCs

Ultra Mobile PCs

COMPUTER PERIPHERALS

Products designed to connect to and extend the functionality of desktop or portable computer systems. Examples include products that provide printing, network and user input and output display and the following:

Backup Devices Personal Copiers
Computer Cards Pointing Devices
Copiers Portable Copiers
Part Projectors
Portable Fox Machine

Data Projectors

DVD Drives and Kits

Portable Fax Machines
Printers

Expansion Docks and Adapters Scanners
Hard Drives Shredders

Hubs and Converters

Keyboards

Microphones

Smart Displays

Speakers

Supplemental Power Systems

Monitors Surge Suppressors
Multi-Function Devices Tape Drives

(Any Combination of Fax, Copy, Print, Scan) Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS)

PC-Based Cameras

DIGITAL IMAGING

Products designed to enhance the visual experience and/or allow the user to capture, store and edit still or movie video images. Examples include:

Binoculars Lights

Backup Devices Photo Display Devices
Batteries Photo Sharing Tools
Cables Photograph Printers

Camcorders Printers

Camcorder Accessories Retail Kiosks
Cameras Scanners
Carreling Cases Reduct

Carrying Cases Storage Products

Digital Imaging Accessories Tripods
Flash RAM/Portable Media Storage

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ECO-DESIGN AND SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES

Innovative features incorporated into consumer electronics products that make them safe for the environment. For example, efficient and clean energy use; manufacturing processes that reduce use of environmentally relevant substances (e.g., lead, mercury); durability/end-of-life (reuse, refurbish, remanufacture, recycle); resource conservation.

ELECTRONIC GAMING HARDWARE

Products (hardware) designed to allow one or more users to interact with electronic games. Examples include:

Consoles
Controls
Memory Upgrades
Carrying Cases
Cords and Cables
Handheld Devices
Gaming Accessories
Virtual Reality Hardware
Joysticks/Controllers

Network Connectivity Accessories
Memory Upgrades
Sports Accessories
Storage Products
Systems/Consoles
Virtual Reality Hardware
Wireless Network Adapters

NEW! ELECTRONIC GAMING SOFTWARE

Software designed to allow one or more users to interact with electronic games. This category includes gaming software and web-based software. Examples include:

Software MMOG MMORPG Web-based games

ENABLING TECHNOLOGIES

Software embedded in silicon designed to provide functionality to finished products or subassemblies. Examples include:

Chips Memory
Electronic Components Optical Lenses
Embedded Technologies Electronic Components
Integrated Circuits Embedded Technologies
Internal components that improve Processors

a product's performance

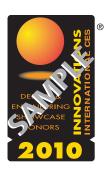
HEADPHONES

Devices that allow users to listen to audio content (music, radio, video, TV, gaming and telephone conversations). The devices may incorporate microphones for user voice response or input. Examples include:

Earpieces Headsets Bluetooth Wired



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HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Products designed to test, monitor, or analyze the health, well-being, fitness and/or medical condition of an individual or provide therapeutic benefits. Products should have significant electronic functionality as a central part of the item's operation. Examples include:

Aesthetics Equipment (Obesity/Weight, Cosmetic) Cellular phone applications to monitor, diagnose, and/or assist medically

Body Composition Monitors (Home, Professional)

Hand-held Monitoring Devices Mobility Aids

Personal Safety Devices Remote Monitoring Devices Scales (Home, Medical, Veterinary, Food Service)

Therapeutic Equipment

(Pain Relief, Physiotherapy, Sports/Rehab)

Vision and Hearing Products
Video/Image Capturing Devices
Other Healthcare Product and Devices

Fitness Products

Home Healthcare Products

HIGH PERFORMANCE AUDIO

Separate audio components and speakers that provide for optimal performance and sound reproduction. Items are typically produced in very limited quantity and are handcrafted. Examples include:

Accessories Preamplifiers
Amplifiers Receivers
CD Players Speakers
Equalizers Tuners

HOME APPLIANCES

Products whose primary function is to be used in the home. These products are designed to provide home heating and cooling, food storage and preparation, comfort, aesthetics, convenience, and home cleaning. Products should have significant electronic functionality as a central part of the item's operation. Examples include:

Air Conditioners

Decorative Wall Coverings

Furniture Housewares

Internet Enabled Appliances

Microwave Ovens Microwaves Mixers

Other White Goods

Ovens Refrigerators Telephones

Telephone Accessories

Vacuums



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HOME NETWORKING

Products and accessories which enable users to maintain a wired or wireless data network for the purpose of providing file, print and Internet access sharing. Systems may also include products and software that provide for remote and conditional access. Examples include:

Audio Delivery Systems

Ethernet Based Networking Systems

Ethernet Based Systems

Firewall/Routers

Internet Access Devices

Internet Based Audio Devices

Modems

Residential Gateway Products

PC/TV Combinations

Phone Line Based Networking Systems

Phone Line Based Systems

Power Line Based Networking Systems

Power Line Based Systems Residential Gateways

Switches

WiMax Equipment Wireless Access Points Wireless Adapter Cards

Wireless Based (801.11x) Networking Systems

Wireless Based (801.11x) Products

HOME THEATER SPEAKERS

Includes speakers whose primary purpose is incorporation into a home theater system. Examples include:

Bookshelf Center Channel

Digital Sound Projectors

Flat Floor

Home Theater Packages

Home Theater Speaker Surround Packages

In-wall

In-ceiling Outdoor

Speaker Systems Subwoofers

Surround Sound Speakers

Wall Mount Wireless

HOME THEATER ACCESSORIES

Items enabling home theater component connectivity, power quality, mounting, storage and content management. Examples include:

A/V Calibration Devices

Antennas

Conditioners Installation Products

Mounting Equipment/Brackets

Other Home Theater Accessories

Other Customer Installation and Design Products

Other Home Theater Accessories Other Home Theater Lighting Products

Remote Controls

IN-VEHICLE AUDIO

Products and components designed to be part of an in-car audio system. Examples include:

Amplifiers

CD Changers Crossovers Equalizers

HD Radio

Head Units

Other Car Audio Equipment Other Mobile Audio Products Satellite Radio Receivers

Speakers



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IN-VEHICLE ACCESSORIES

Products designed to enable, enhance, connect and/or maintain in-car audio, video, navigation systems and components. Examples include:

Adapters Mobile Installation Devices
Antennas Mounting
Cabling Marine Accessories
Capacitors Remote Starters

IN-VEHICLE CONTROL/OEM INTEGRATION

Products and components designed to facilitate the integration of aftermarket and OEM audio, video and navigation systems in the car.

Other In-Car Accessories

IN-VEHICLE NAVIGATION/TELEMATICS/ITS

Products and components designed to be part of an in-car navigation and/or information retrieval and transmission service. Examples include:

Depth Finders Radar Detection
Global Positioning Devices Remote Starters
Intelligent Transportation Systems Security
Navigation Systems and Devices Transmitters

Marine Products and Accessories Weather/Maritime Radios

IN-VEHICLE VIDEO

Insulation

Products and components designed to be part of an in-car video system. Examples include:

Monitors In-dash Displays
DVD Players Multimedia Systems
DVD/Display Package Systems Other In-Car Video
DVD/VHS/Display Package Systems

INTEGRATED HOME SYSTEMS

Products and components designed to be used as complete systems or subsystems in the home to control the distribution of and access to audio and video content. Systems also control lighting, energy and environmental systems and security access. Examples include:

CEBus Products
Central Vacuum
Energy Management/HVAC Systems
Gate Access Controls
Home Security Monitoring/Installation Services
Intercom/Telephone Systems
Lighting Control Systems
Lighting Fixtures
LonWorks Products
Other Home Security

Other Integrated Home System Products
Remote Control Systems
Telephones and Communications
Video Surveillance Systems
Whole House Systems
Window Controls
Window/Covering Controls
Wire, Cable and Wiring Systems
X-10/Powerline Carrier Devices

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MULTI-ROOM AUDIO/VIDEO

Systems specifically designed to allow users to centralize content and then redistribute via multiple simultaneous discrete streams to multiple locations in a home. Examples include:

A/V Receivers Multimedia Control Centers
Distribution Systems Multi-room Audio Products

Diplexers Receivers

Home Theater in a Box Separate Home Theater Audio Components
Home Theater PCs Separate Home Theater Video Components

Line Doublers Set-top Boxes
Media Servers Video Scalers

NEW! ONLINE AUDIO/VIDEO CONTENT

Any audio or video that can be transmitted via the Internet. Content can be streaming or accessed through downloading.

NEW! ONLINE RETAIL

The buying and selling of products or services via the Internet. Examples include:

Streaming Media Movie Rental
Electronic Books Travel
Software Auctions
Banking Advertising

Food Ordering

PERSONAL ELECTRONICS

Products designed around single function or multi-function uses, which operate individually or in conjunction with other products. Examples include:

CE Related Clothing and Accessories Watches
Clock Radios Calculators

Electronic Gaming Wear Dictation Equipment

Electronic Toys

Musical Instruments

Personal Electronics

Other Mobile Office Accessories
Other Mobile Office Equipment
Wireless Communications Wear

PORTABLE MEDIA PLAYERS

Products incorporating integrated storage and playback capability for audio and/or video content. Products have the capability to connect to desktop and portable computer systems to exchange content. Examples include:

Audio Devices
Audio System Components

DVD Player

eBook readers

Home Video

Media Receivers

MP3 Players

Satellite Radio

Video Devices

Video Player

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PORTABLE MULTIMEDIA ACCESSORIES

Products designed to enable, enhance, connect, carry and/or maintain portable media players. Examples include:

Cables Faceplates/Skins

Carrying Cases Flash RAM/Portable Media Storage

Chargers/Adapters Mounting Hardware

Expansion Docks and Adapters Supplemental Power Systems

PORTABLE POWER

Devices designed to facilitate the powering and/or charging of consumer electronic products. Examples include:

Battery Chargers Power Adapters
Lithium Batteries Power Inverters
Other Supplemental Power Systems Rapid Chargers

NEW! SOCIAL NETWORKS

A web-based system of linking individuals or groups together. Users should be able to create a profile for themselves and connect with other members. The system should also provide a variety of ways for users to communicate, network, or share information. Examples include:

Internal Social Networking (invite only) Forums

External Social Networking (open/public)

Blogs with community features

VIDEO ACCESSORIES

Products designed to enable, enhance, connect and/or maintain home video systems and components. Examples include:

Cables Other Video Accessories

Connectors Remote Controls
Digital Satellite Systems Accessories Signal Modifiers
Flat Panel Mounts/Wall Mounts
TV Stands

Other Video Accessories Wires and Cables

VIDEO COMPONENTS

Systems or components designed to provide playback, storage and/or distribution of video signals and content in the home. Examples include:

Digital/Personal Video Recorders (DVR,PVR) Video Displays

Multi-room Video Products

DVD Recorders

Set-Top Boxes



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VIDEO DISPLAYS

Devices whose primary purpose is the display of video content not including items marketed and sold primarily as computer monitors. Examples include:

3-D Technology

Big Screen (25" and over) Direct View TV

Digital Direct-View
Digital Front Projection
Digital Rear Projection
DLP Displays

Flat Panel Displays All Types

LCD Screen Displays

LCOS Displays OLED Displays

Other Digital TV Products Other Projection TVs Other Video Displays Plasma-Screen Displays

Projectors

TV/DVD Combinations

WIRELESS HANDSETS

Items marketed primarily for the ability to provide wireless calling capability. The products in this category, in addition to having voice calling features, may also incorporate wireless data and Internet access features along with built in camera and media playback functionality. Examples include:

Mobile Phones

Pagers

PDAs

Smart Phones

Two-Way Radios (Family Radio) Wireless Email/Phone Devices

Wireless Handsets

WIRELESS HANDSETS ACCESSORIES

Products designed to enable, enhance, connect, carry and/or maintain wireless handsets. Examples include:

Antennas

Battery Packs

Cables

Carrying Cases

Cellular Phone Accessories

Chargers/Adapters Earpieces/Headsets Faceplates/Skins

Hand-Held Wireless Data Cards

Memory Cards

Mobile Phone Accessories

Mounting Hardware

Other Wireless Phone Accessories

Paging Accessories

Smart Phones Accessories

Supplemental Power Systems

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