

## **Yale Materials Handling Corporation Berea Facility Named *Plant Engineering's* 2011 Top Plant**

**BEREA, KY. (December 15, 2011)** – Yale Materials Handling Corporation's Berea, Ky., manufacturing facility was honored today with *Plant Engineering's* prestigious 2011 Top Plant Award.

The 2011 Top Plant Award recognizes manufacturing facilities in North America that achieve outstanding operational results through application of engineering disciplines. Top Plant seeks to:

- Identify plants that achieve operational excellence
- Identify best practices in plant management
- Identify manufacturers who operate safe, productive and efficient plants that are ready to meet the challenges of an evolving global manufacturing environment (efficiency is measured both in terms of material and energy efficiency)

"The Berea facility is elated to receive this accolade," said John Gardiner, VP Manufacturing, Americas. "Our motto not only at the Berea plant, but throughout all of our manufacturing facilities, is that our workforce is our strongest asset. In order to empower our associates we encourage open communication. The free-flow of communication in a cross-functional environment promotes innovation' which helps us reach common goals."

"Berea has an excellent record of safety, energy management and community involvement," said Bob Vavra, editor and content manager, *Plant Engineering*. "What really set Berea apart was their commitment to workforce training and development, which our readers cite as their most crucial issue. The commitment to hiring and training personnel at Berea is a great example to other manufacturers that the investment in personnel can pay tremendous dividends."


The Berea facility manufactures 1–9 ton internal combustion engine Yale<sup>®</sup> lift trucks.

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### **About Yale Materials Handling Corporation**

Yale Materials Handling Corporation markets a full line of materials handling lift truck products and services, including electric, gas, LP-gas and diesel powered lift trucks; narrow aisle, very narrow aisle and motorized hand trucks. Yale has a comprehensive service offering including Fleet Management, Yale service, parts, financing and training. Yale trucks are manufactured in an ISO 9001:2008 registered facility and range in capacity from 2,000 to 36,000 lbs. For more information, or to find the Yale® lift truck dealer nearest you, call 1-800-233-YALE or visit [www.yale.com](http://www.yale.com).

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