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Recognizing Excellence in Production and Operations Management Practice
Martin K. Starr Excellence in Production and Operations Management Practice Award

The Production and Operations Management Society (*POMS*) has instituted the Martin K. Starr Excellence in Production and Operations Management Practice Award to recognize career-spanning contributions made by senior managers to the profession and community of operations management (OM). This international award is open to all operations professionals worldwide. Mr. Lee Cockerell, Executive Vice President (Retired), Walt Disney World, USA, was the first recipient of this award in 2006.

Please visit www.poms.org/pomsocietyawards/martinkstarraward to see the list of the recipients of the award, who are among the most esteemed members of the OM profession.

We are now seeking nominations and self-nominations for this award, which will be presented during the 2027 POMS Annual Conference, Orlando, FL, April 22-26, 2027.

This award is for an "individual" and not for the "organization." The award is open to professionals in senior management positions who have worked in *operations management* in the service sector or manufacturing industries, as well as in agricultural, sports, healthcare, not-for-profit humanitarian, and government organizations.

The award is based on an exceptional contribution by the candidate to the operations management profession and community. These contributions may span time spent at multiple organizations throughout the candidate's career. The candidate's cumulative contributions throughout their career will serve as the basis for the committee's evaluation.

In addition to receiving an attractive plaque, the award recipient will be prominently featured in the *POMS Chronicle* and on the *POMS website.* The award ceremony includes a full description of the award winner's contributions, who is expected to attend and is encouraged to address the audience briefly.

We invite nominations of worthy candidates or self-nominations. Please send your nomination (or self-nomination) to the committee chair, Professor Felipe Caro (felipe.caro@anderson.ucla.edu), with a copy to Professor Subodha Kumar, Executive Director – POMS, at poms@temple.edu by **December 15, 2026**. Each nomination and self-nomination should include a resume of the candidate and a narrative, not to exceed three pages, of the contributions to the profession and community of operations management during the career of the candidate. Visit the POMS website www.poms.org to get more information about this award and the 2027 POMS Annual Conference, Orlando, FL, April 22-26, 2027.

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