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**Army Aviation Materiel Readiness Award for a  
Contribution by a Small Business Organization**

**Awarded to:  
Shek C. Hong and Hontek Corporation**

**JOSEPH P. CRIBBINS  
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Von Braun Center, Huntsville, Alabama, USA

**AWARDS PRESENTATION by**

Major General James Myles  
Commanding General, US Army Aviation and Missile Command  
and  
Lieutenant General James Pillsbury  
Deputy Commanding General, US Army Materiel Command

**EVENING SPEAKER:** Lieutenant General James Pillsbury

**2009 MATERIEL READINESS AWARDS  
SMALL BUSINESS- Hontek Corporation**

The Hontek Corporation, led by Mr. Shek C. Hong, made significant and lasting contributions to army aviation by providing a solution to the severe and expensive damage caused by sand and debris erosion to rotor blades. Hontek developed, and fielded to combat a heat conductive, de-icing capable, sprayable coating that is easily repairable on wing at the field level with no operational limitations, to include flight in rain and icing conditions. Gone are: blade tape, daily blade maintenance and extensive down time based on out of tolerance blades. Hontek-coated blades have established a solid track record of zero main rotor blade replacements in Iraq and Afghanistan. These results are truly historic as they have demonstrated the potential to provide unlimited blade life against erosion damage with proper maintenance with Hontek repair kits. Mr. Hong and Hontek's actions assisted with rapid technical solutions, reduced production timelines and avoided duplicative costs. Hontek and Mr. Hong championed solutions used to support fielding and sustainment from factory to flight-line. These achievements have changed Army Aviation's direction and identify Shek C. Hong and Hontek as truly deserving of the 2009 AAAA Army Aviation Materiel Readiness Award for Contribution by a Small Business.