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## U.S. Small Business Administration Announces Annual Award Winners

## Rayland O'Neal, President, and Sasha Long, Vice President of Arcast, Inc. Receive SBA's Small Business Exporter of the Year Award for Maine

Augusta, Maine – The U.S. Small Business Administration is pleased to announce that Rayland O'Neal, President and Sasha Long, Vice President of Arcast, Inc. in Oxford, have been selected to receive the U.S. Small Business Administration's 2018 Small Business Exporter of the Year Award for Maine.

"Innovation and technology are key to competing in the global marketplace, and that's just what Arcast has embraced," said Amy Bassett, SBA District Director for Maine. "The specialized services provided by the company allow it to reach customers all over the world," added Bassett.

Arcast Inc. designs and manufactures advanced metallurgical processing equipment in their Oxford facility. O'Neal and Long founded the company in 2010 and have steadily expanded their product offerings and have built exports to approximately 50% of their revenue.

Arcast, Inc. was nominated for this award by Jack Lufkin, Business Banking Relationship Manager at KeyBank in Portland. "We are thrilled and honored to receive this award. This recognition is a real feather in the cap of which we are very proud. Thanks go to our hard working team and to our customers around the world." said O'Neal and Long.

Arcast, Inc. will be honored at the 2018 SBA Small Business Awards Celebration on May 1, 2018 at the Harraseeket Inn in Freeport. For more information about the event, please visit <a href="https://conta.cc/2uycQOC">https://conta.cc/2uycQOC</a> or contact Keith Lind at <a href="https://conta.cc/2uycQOC">keith.lind@sba.gov</a> or 207-622-8551.



Pictured: Rayland O'Neal and Sasha Long on far right ###