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**STI/SPFA Honors Ward Tank & Heat Exchanger Corp.  
with 2008 Fabricated Product of the Year**

Lake Zurich, IL – February 13, 2009 – STI/SPFA is an association serving companies that fabricate steel tanks, pipe and pipeline, pressure vessels, and special fabricated products for use in the petroleum, food, water and petrochemical processing industries.

STI/SPFA annually recognizes member companies within specific industry categories with its Steel Fabricated Product of the Year Awards.

The 2008 award for Fabricated Product of the Year in the Pressure Vessel Category has been made to Ward Tank & Heat Exchanger Corp, Charlotte, NC ([www.wardtank.com](http://www.wardtank.com)) for two 15'-9" diameter Alloy 400 Reactors with internal manifolds. These 72' high reactors were manufactured with complex internal distributor manifolds and external ladders and platforms.

Jon Ward, President of Ward Tank & Heat Exchanger Corp., was pleased to relate that these reactors were manufactured in Houston, TX as replacements for units built in Japan approximately 20 years ago.

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To view the photo and description on the STI/SPFA website, please visit (<http://www.steeltank.com/Awards/FabricatedProductoftheYear/2008/tabid/294/Default.aspx>) or see page 2 of 2 of this press release.

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**Winner of the 2008 Fabricated Product of the Year**

***Ward Tank & Heat Exchanger Corp.***

**(2) 15'-9" diameter Alloy 400 Reactors with complex internal manifolds.**