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Middleby Marshall Receives Top Honors at YUM! Star Awards
--WOW! Oven praised for top technology and performance at Pizza Hut—

Elgin, Ill. (April 1, 2010) -- Middleby Marshall was named 2009 Pizza Hut Equipment Supplier of the Year on Thursday, March 25 at the YUM! Star Awards Ceremony in Scottsdale, Ariz. The Middleby Corporation, the parent company of Middleby Marshall, was named the overall 2009 Supplier of the Year.

"We are thrilled to be recognized by Pizza Hut as their supplier of the Year," said Middleby Marshall President Mark Sieron. "We are proud to be a partner to Pizza Hut and we are glad their stores and customers are seeing the benefits of the WOW! Oven."



The Middleby Marshall WOW! Oven is in use in more than 50 countries by the top pizza chains around the world. Today, over 6,000 WOW! Ovens

are in use worldwide. Pizza Hut has more than 7,500 restaurants in the United States and over 5,600 restaurants in 97 countries around the world. Pizza Hut, known as "America's Favorite Pizza," and Middleby Marshall have had partnership for decades.

With Middleby Corporation receiving the Supplier of the Year, this marks the first time an equipment manufacturer has been the recipient of the highest honor at the Star Awards. YUM! Brands is the parent company of KFC, Pizza Hut, Taco Bell and Long John Silver's, Wing Street and A&W and is the world's largest restaurant company in terms of system restaurants with more than 37,000 restaurants in over 110 countries. Yum! is ranked #239 on the Fortune 500 List, with nearly \$11 billion in revenue in 2009.

Middleby Marshall is the world leader in conveyor ovens and manufactures the WOW! Oven, the fastest and most energy saving conveyor oven in the world. Middleby Marshall, based in Elgin, Ill., is a division of The Middleby Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDD) a world leader in commercial cooking.

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