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## Employees Become Valuable Players within Hub Pen's Larger Goals

BRAINTREE, MASSACHUSETTS (August 12, 2014) – Hub Pen Company has announced that 14 employees from various departments are now Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt certified. They will move on to Green Belt training and another Yellow Belt class will begin. Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt training program and certification gives employees the necessary tools to become valuable players within the company's larger goals and objectives. They gain a better understanding of daily tasks that convert into enhanced quality, decreased waste and better cycle times.

"We decided to do the training because every employee is important in providing ideas and suggestions," said Bob McGaughey, General Manager. "The employees learn the process for improving every aspect of our operations and it takes teamwork to become a leaner and greener organization."

"We're committed to providing our customers with the best service at the highest standards," added Joseph Fleming, President. "Hub Pen will be better positioned to meet the evolving needs of the industry as we focus on eliminating overhead costs, paperwork, transaction times and lengthy decision-making efforts."

The training was conducted at Hub Pen by Ron Pujalte, Greater Boston Manufacturing Partnership (GBMP).

**About Hub Pen Company:** Boston has been described as the "Hub of the Universe" and in the Hub Pen story the same holds true. From Frank and Rita Fleming's humble beginnings in Boston to the 100 million pen annual operations of today, Hub Pen has grown to serve an ever-increasing national and international market.

### Owned and operated by the Fleming family since 1954, Hub Pen has won:

- ASI Distributors Choice: 2013 #1 for Writing Instruments
- PPAI Supplier Star: 2013 #1 in sales volume category
- Promo Marketing: 2013 #1 for Pens and Other Writing Instruments two years running
- Identity Marketing: #1 Supplier; #1 for Writing Instruments
- New England Promotional Products Association: 2012 #1 for Customer Service, 2011 #1 Supplier
- PPAI Supplier Excellence Award for Writing Instruments four years running
- ASI Counselor Top 40 Supplier three years running

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Hub Pen employees complete Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt program and received their certificates from Ron Pujalte of GBMP.