2016 John K. Lopez Lifetime Achievement Awardee, John P. Molière, Founder and CEO of Standard Communications, Inc., named by NaVOBA/VETREPRENEUR Magazine and AFI

Pittsburgh, PA (11/1/2016) The National Veteran-Owned Business Association (NaVOBA), in partnership with Armed Forces Insurance (AFI), is proud to announce that John P. Molière, founder and CEO of Standard Communications, Inc. (SCI), is the 2016 recipient of the John K. Lopez Lifetime Achievement Award for his work with and on behalf of veterans.

“John Molière embodies how military training prepares veterans for business success,” said NaVOBA President Chris Hale.

Dr. Vince Ng, Boston Healthcare System Director stated, “Congratulations on your being named to receive the John K. Lopez Lifetime Achievement Award by NaVOBA and the Vetreprenuer Magazine for your long term work with the veteran community. Having known you for over twenty years, clearly this award is based on your continued support to veterans and veteran businesses, your stakeholdership with the Department of Veteran’s Affairs, your company’s contribution to the American Legion, VET-Force, the Association for Service Disabled Veterans, the Twilight Wish Foundation, the Altheia Foundation, the American Freedom Foundation, the Reel American Heroes Foundation, Boulder Crest, the USO, Blinded and Paralyzed Veterans, VVA, the Navy and Vietnam Memorial, the U.S.S New Jersey, Aeolus, Nitro, Salomonie, and Uvalde Associations. Standard Communications has donated all the telephones to the Fisher Houses at the St. Louis-Jefferson Barracks and in West Roxbury, MA…twice. It is evident to me that you are most deserving. As president and founder of a Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) and having been a patient at the Brockton VAMC following your active duty service during the Vietnam conflict, it is evident that this donation reflects the thoughtfulness and concern you feel for our veterans and to the service they provided to all of us while in service to our country. Without your support and others like you, we could not provide for the smaller niceties that make hospitalization more bearable. Your thoughtfulness reflects the compassion that our community feels for our veterans. Thank you for your continued support.”

According to Molière, the President of SCI, a VA CVE Verified SDVOSB, “We aim for perfection and hopefully we achieve excellence along the way. That’s why we are Standard Communications, Inc., VA Stakeholder…we set a high standard and we live by it, standing ready to be measured every day, as we make our small contribution to this most compassionate endeavor.”

“I am thrilled to pay back what I call ‘Earth Rent’. I am deeply honored by this award and would like to thank all my teammates over the years, my loyal executive team, my cracker-jack employees, government colleagues and especially my competitors, because without all of you, we’d only be average.”

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Heidi Gerding, President of HeiTech Services and the NVSBC, “Congratulations to NaVOBA and The Vetrepreneur Magazine for selecting John Molière as this year’s recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. John’s distinguished career and how he continues to promote the veteran business owner through his daily actions is noteworthy.”

Jim Moody, President/CEO, Veterans Enterprise Technology Solutions (VETS), Inc. and former Board Member, NVSBC, “As a successful and widely respected SDVOSB business owner, I am proud to give my strongest endorsement for your choice of my friend and competitor, John Moliere, for recognition as the NaVOBA Vetrepreneur Selectee for the John K. Lopez Lifetime Achievement Award. John has fully supported the SDVOSB/VOSB movement since Day One. He is a founding member and Past President of the NVSBC, in addition to serving numerous other veteran organizations.”

Bud Almas, CEO of B3 Solutions and the 2015 Vetrepreneur Magazine Hispanic Vetrepreneur of the Year states, “I strongly support the NaVOBA/Vetrepreneur Magazine’s selection of John Moliere for the John K. Lopez Lifetime Achievement Award. John is highly respected by his colleagues and customers. It has been my privilege to serve on the Board of Directors for the National Veteran Small Business Coalition (NVSBC), of which John is a Founding Member. John is a savvy, innovative vetrepreneur who has passionately led and nurtured the successful growth of his company Standard Communications. John brings this same passion to his work with the NVSBC and other veteran small business owners. His success with his own company has made him a sought-after mentor by fledgling, as well as more established, small business owners.”

Scott Denniston, Executive Director NVSBC and the 2015 John K. Lopez Lifetime Achievement Awardee, “I have known John for over 20 years in my roles as VA’s Director of OSDBU as well as with the NVSBC. What I most respect about John is his true commitment to give back. As he calls it “paying earth rent”, given that we all have an obligation to help others less fortunate than us. John was an original “plank holder” in the NVSBC and our first President. In that position John always encouraged veteran small business owners to find a struggling veteran small business owner and provide support. John was the originator of the NVSBC ‘Coaching Program’ where we match start up veteran business owners with one of many successful NVSBC members. John still manages that program as a volunteer. John has given countless personal dollars to ensure that the NVSBC VETS events are professionally managed. John also donated funding to the NVSBC so we could purchase an all-terrain wheelchair for a deserving veteran. John puts his money where his mouth is!!”

“John is also the CEO and owner of a very successful SDVOSB which I would argue VA cannot do without. Standard Communications is the key linchpin in the VA’s vast nation-wide telecommunications network used to ensure communications between medical centers. When VA has an emergency Standard Communications is their “go to” vendor. Because of his vast knowledge of the VA telecommunications network, John is constantly making recommendations as to how to upgrade the VA system and make contracting changes beneficial to the VA to provide timelier and better quality of care to veterans.”

Bradley M. Scott, former GSA Heartland Regional Administrator, “Congratulations for the huge and deserved honor to receive the Vetrepreneur Lifetime Achievement Award. You’ve worked hard on behalf of your brothers and sisters in arms. It was sure an honor to work with you and learn from you. I hope you have many more successes, because your success means that many others prosper. Good luck, health and fortune!!!!”