

## PRESS RELEASE

### Agile Systems Receives Regional Global Traders Award for Innovation

*Developer of an Energy Efficient Motor Controller for stepper motors honoured at the 8th Annual Ontario Global Traders Awards*

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Cambridge, ON - Agile Systems has been recognized as one of Ontario's top innovative companies, and an outstanding contributor to Ontario's economic growth.

The Waterloo, Ontario-based company is a recipient of a 2006 Ontario Global Traders Award honoring top achievement in the Innovation category.

Agile Systems specializes in the design and manufacture of energy-efficient electronic controls for electric and battery powered motors. The firm exports its specialized controls to OEM manufacturing companies around the world, in such diverse industries as Semi-conductor, Life Science and HVAC.

"We are very proud that Agile Systems calls Waterloo home, and even more proud that they've received this recognition today," said Waterloo Mayor Herb Epp. "Ours is a community rich in innovative organizations that draw on the city's skill base, which in turn provides a source of creative talent that lets businesses undertake countless technology breakthroughs. The world leading work of organizations such as Agile Systems has helped placed Waterloo among the Top 7 Intelligent Communities in the world."

The Ontario Global Traders Awards are the province's premier export recognition program. First introduced in 1998, the Awards recognize the outstanding export achievements of the most innovative and successful small and medium-sized enterprises, leaders and students in Ontario. The Awards are coordinated by Ontario Exports Inc., the Government of Ontario's export development agency with support from their partners in trade.



Jean-Marc Lalonde, Parliamentary Assistant, Ministry of Economic Development and Trade (left) with Robin Garrett, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economic Development and Trade (right) presenting the 8th Annual Southwest Region Silver Award for Innovation to Ralph Steedman, President and CEO, Agile Systems (centre) of Waterloo.

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## About Agile Systems

Agile Systems is a global leader in the design and manufacture of energy-efficient electronic controls for electric motors. Agile's compact digital motion-control solutions are used in robotics, semiconductor production, and in life sciences and factory-automation equipment. Other vertical markets include HVAC, consumer white goods, and automotive industries. Agile Systems is headquartered in Waterloo, Ontario, with sales representation around the globe.

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