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EY Announces Scott Gromer of Mesa Natural Gas Solutions as an Entrepreneur Of The Year[®] 2020 Utah Region Award Winner

LOVELAND, CO, October, 07, 2020 – Ernst & Young LLP (EY US) today announced that Scott Gromer, President and CEO of Mesa Natural Gas Solutions was named an Entrepreneur Of The Year[®] 2020 Utah Region Award winner. The Entrepreneur Of The Year Awards program is one of the preeminent competitive awards for entrepreneurs and leaders of high-growth companies. The award recognizes those entrepreneurial leaders who are excelling in overcoming adversity; financial performance; societal impact and commitment to building a values-based company; innovation; and talent management. Scott Gromer was selected by an independent panel of judges. The award was announced through the program's first-ever virtual awards gala, hosted by Deborah Norville, anchor of *Inside Edition*, on October 6, 2020.

"Something that makes us unstoppable is giving good people good jobs. More than one-third of our workforce is military veterans, that is something we are extremely proud of." says Scott Gromer, Mesa's President and CEO.

Mesa, a portfolio company of BP Energy Partners, has gained attention for its unique business model built around a commitment to pursuing positive environmental initiatives to reduce the carbon footprints of a growing number of customers. Chief among its capabilities is the use of generators to capture stranded gas produced in oil and gas operations. Mesa's expansion outside the oil and gas industry into commercial and industrial microgrids is backed by its desire to further cleaner fuel efforts among large power consumers and improve energy reliability and cost-savings.

Since 1986, EY US has honored entrepreneurs whose ingenuity, spirit of innovation and tenacity have driven their companies' success, transformed their industries and made a positive impact on their communities. Scott Gromer will go on to become a lifetime member of the esteemed multi-industry community of award winners, with exclusive, ongoing access to the experience, insight and wisdom of fellow alumni and other ecosystem members in over 60 countries — all supported by vast EY resources.

The Entrepreneur Of The Year program has honored the inspirational leadership of entrepreneurs such as:

- Joe DeSimone of Carbon, Inc.
- Howard Schultz of Starbucks Corporation
- Pierre Omidyar of eBay, Inc.
- Jodi Berg of Vitamix
- Reid Hoffman and Jeff Weiner of LinkedIn
- Hamdi Ulukaya of Chobani

- Kendra Scott of Kendra Scott LLC
- Andreas Bechtolsheim and Jayshree Ullal of Arista Networks
- James Park of Fitbit
- Daymond John of Fubu



As a Utah Region award winner, Scott Gromer is now eligible for consideration for the Entrepreneur Of The Year 2020 National Awards. Award winners in several national categories, as well as the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Overall Award winner, will be announced Thursday, November 19, during a virtual awards gala. The awards are the culminating event of this year's virtual Strategic Growth Forum[®], the nation's most prestigious gathering of high-growth, market-leading companies. The Entrepreneur Of The Year National Overall Award winner will then move on to compete for the EY World Entrepreneur Of The Year[™] Award in June 2021.

Sponsors

Founded and produced by Ernst & Young LLP, the Entrepreneur Of The Year Awards are nationally sponsored by SAP America and the Kauffman Foundation.

In the Utah Region, sponsors also include Diversified Insurance Group, Strong & Hanni Law Firm, Silicon Slopes, Truss, & The Community Foundation of Utah.

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