



NEWS RELEASE

Paul McLean named 2016 Ontario EY Entrepreneur Of The Year™ finalist

Richmond Hill, Ontario, July 6, 2016 – EY announced today that Paul McLean, CEO of CWB Maxium Financial is a finalist for the 2016 Ontario EY Entrepreneur Of The Year™. To make it to the finalist level, Paul competed among some of Ontario's finest leaders and innovators who demonstrate excellence in several areas including; leadership, customers, employees and culture, technology, transactions and alliances, finance and operations. An independent panel of judges narrowed down a list of 165 nominees to 50 finalists.

EY Entrepreneur Of The Year™ is the world's most prestigious business award for entrepreneurs and honours outstanding business people and their contributions. Ontario winners from 10 different categories will be announced at a gala in Toronto on 27, October 2016.

About CWB Maxium Financial

Specializing in mid-market lending since 1993, CWB Maxium Financial is a leader in providing creative financing of up to \$50 million to businesses across Canada. We joined CWB Group in March 2016, significantly expanding our funding capabilities and access to capital, which allows us to help more customers in more ways, and takes us to another level of service, performance, and growth. Today, our financial portfolio exceeds \$1 billion, and our client base includes over 35,000 customers across 19 markets. We are active, present and engaged in the markets we finance and have internal expertise in golf equipment leasing and mortgages, healthcare financing for professionals, program finance, condo and strata, renewable energy projects, financial advisor finance, transportation, HVAC and office.

About EY Entrepreneur Of The Year™

EY Entrepreneur Of The Year is the world's most prestigious business award for entrepreneurs. The unique award makes a difference through the way it encourages entrepreneurial activity among those with potential, and recognizes the contribution of people who inspire others with their vision, leadership and achievement. As the first and only truly global award of its kind, EY Entrepreneur Of The Year celebrates those who are building and leading successful, growing and dynamic businesses, recognizing them through regional, national and global awards programs in more than 140 cities in 50 countries.

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