

# **Membership Benefits**

#### **Metal Powder Producers Association**

An international trade association of the Metal Powder Industries Federation

The Metal Powder Producers Association (MPPA) is one of six trade associations which comprise the Metal Powder Industries Federation (MPIF), the world's leading trade organization serving the interests of the metal powder producing and consuming industries. Membership provides a unique opportunity to interact with business colleagues including competitors, suppliers and others working together to advance and grow the PM industry.

#### BENEFITS OF MPPA MEMBERSHIP:

## Meetings and Conferences:

- Members meet twice annually including at the Feb/March Winter Business Meeting where a comprehensive program is held focusing on management and/or plant operations for powder suppliers.
- Members actively participate at the annual PowderMet conference that brings together the global PM industry for technical exchange, networking and a trade exhibition showcasing suppliers of powders, equipment, and products.
- Registration fees are discounted for members and exhibitors receive substantial discounts for booth space.
- Members also meet each fall during the PM Management Summit where senior industry leaders gather to exchange ideas and discuss management issues relevant to all segments of the PM industry.

## Management and Statistical Programs:

- Members receive the monthly MPIF Member Briefs summarizing industry manufacturing and management updates with pertinent information solely for PM management.
- Members receive the "Monthly Economic Indicators & Industry Trends" report, tracking leading and lagging indicators and reporting on automotive sales & production, agricultural and lawn & garden, aerospace, oil & gas, semiconductors, firearms, powder shipments, and imports and exports for U.S., Japan, India and Europe.
- Members provide input to the PM Sentiment Survey and receive detailed results from the PM Confidence Index, an index that tracks 5 key metrics for our industry by current month and six months out. It is presented by the whole industry, by each association, and by key executive role.
- Member participants receive monthly statistics on metal powder shipments useful for industry trend analysis. Nonparticipating members receive this information quarterly.
- Members also submit input and receive comprehensive results from the PM Industry Pulse, an annual survey of industry trends covering all segments and associations within MPIF.

 Members also participate in valuable statistics programs providing confidential management information on compensation practices and safety and health.

#### Standards Development:

 MPPA actively supports and votes on industry standards including materials standards for PM parts and products and methods of testing used by customers when specifying PM parts.

## Publications and Training:

- MPIF conducts educational seminars and short courses open to your employees at member discounts.
- MPIF hosts the Guide to PM Microstructures website offering images of most MPIF material designations in a number of property influencing conditions.
- Members have direct access to the world's most comprehensive library on PM. MPIF is the leading publisher of PM books, proceedings, standards, and electronic media. Members receive discounted pricing.
- Members enjoy discounted rates on individual technical manuscripts in the online Digital Library.

### Marketing Opportunities:

- MPPA has a leading voice in driving industry marketing efforts to end users and customers of PM parts and products through the MPIF Industry Development Program. The program features promotional ads in trade media as well as a formidable online presence through engineering portals plus other industry development efforts, awards activities and public relations programs designed to grow the PM market.
- Members receive a discount when advertising in the FocusPM Newsletter.
- Members are listed on various MPIF websites in a fully searchable online database of industry parts, powder, and product manufacturers.
- Members can provide data and be identified in the Global PM Property Database, the world's only global online data resource directed by MPIF, EPMA and APMA.



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## **Membership Information**

The Metal Powder Producers Association operates as a trade association within the Metal Powder Industries Federation, an incorporated 501 (c) (6) trade organization. It shares with affiliated associations the economies and other advantages of joint administration. While the Association is governed by its members in accordance with its bylaws, it is subject to the policies and regulations of the Federation. Membership is on a company "corporate" basis.

Acceptance for corporate, voting membership in the Metal Powder Producers Association constitutes membership in the Metal Powder Industries Federation.

## **Eligibility**

Any firm, corporation (or division thereof) is eligible for corporate, voting membership in the Association if commercially engaged in the production of metal powders, metal flakes, metal fibers, or non-metallic powder additives used with these materials, such as graphite or lubricants in continental North America. For the purpose of eligibility, powders shall be defined as discrete particles of elemental metals or of mixtures of elemental metals, or of alloys the sizes of which are not significantly larger than 12 mesh (U.S. series). In the case of fibers, their diameters shall be in the order of 0.065 in. or less.

Eligibility for corporate membership in the Metal Powder Producers Association shall be determined by the Executive Director of the Federation in accordance with the applicable bylaws of the Association.

Eligibility for associate membership: Any North American firm, corporation or division not otherwise qualified for corporate membership as described above, shall be eligible for associate, non-voting membership if it falls within the following categories: powder "reprocessors" or "re-sellers".

Any three or more corporate members of the Association representing a specific industry segment serving the same market may form a council for the purpose of conducting any and all legally acceptable trade association activities in the interest of that industry segment, as defined in the bylaws of the Association.

## **Membership Dues and Representation**

For US Federal income tax purposes, all membership fees may be deducted as a business expense but are not deductible as a charitable contribution. There are no initiation fees. Payment of Association dues shall cover membership in the Federation. A current budget is available upon request for the purpose of determining exact costs of membership.

Each member company must appoint an individual to serve as its Official Representative who will be authorized to represent, vote and act for the member in the affairs of the Association. This does not preclude other individuals from the same company from participating, including the holding of office.

The member company may also designate any number of additional individuals to serve as Alternate Official Representatives.

For all matters affecting the Association or the Federation, the member company shall be entitled to cast one vote.









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Company:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State/Country <u>:</u>	Zip/Postal Code:
Telephone Number	_	Fax Number
E-mail:		Web site:
Date of incorporation of	or founding	
		name of the parent organization?
Head of sales/marketir	ng department	
Name, Title, and E-ma	il of Individual to be desigr	nated as "Official Representative"
Name, Title, and E-ma	il of Individual(s) (if any) to	be Designated as "Alternate Representative(s)"
	nail of Sales Contacts (lim	it 3): Please note telephone number if different from
		be governed by the rules and regulations of the al Powder Producers Association.
Name and Title of Sub	mitting Applicant	
 Signature		Date



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The following, in addition to acting as MPIF's official source of corporate file information, will act as a source of information which will be posted in the PM Industry Online Directory on <a href="www.mpif.org">www.mpif.org</a>. Please be as complete as possible. It is the member's responsibility to inform MPIF of any changes to this information.

Granular Powders:
Flake Powders:
Standard Powders:
Special Granular Powders:
Special Flake Powders:
Manufacturing Capabilities:
Production Minimums:
Atomization Capabilities:
Powder Fraction Range:
Special Equipment:
Other Information: