

## NICCOLI OIL & ENERGY HONORED BY FAMILY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

One of Twenty-One Family-Owned Businesses in Massachusetts Recognized at Awards Event

**Boston, MA** – Niccoli Oil & Energy was honored as a highly successful family business by **The Family Business Association (FBA)**, the leading independent, non-profit organization serving family business enterprises, at a ceremony in Cambridge, MA on October 23, 2014. The company was one of twenty-one businesses selected for this honor among hundreds. The FBA Awards recognize the importance of family businesses in the state and the critical role these companies play in providing significant employment opportunities, revenue generation, as well as economic development and growth in their communities, the state, and the region.

The honorees were chosen from a variety of successful companies from across Massachusetts, and represent small, midsize and large companies (employees and revenue) as well as first generation businesses.

The October 23rd event featured Leo Vercollone, President, VERC Enterprises, as the keynote speaker. The forty year-old family-owned company operates retail convenience stores, car washes and gas stations in Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire, and twenty percent of its workforce is comprised of developmentally challenged/disabled individuals.

Dedicated to the continuing success of the family-owned firm, the FBA offers educational programs and a platform for family businesses to share their knowledge, experience, and expertise while navigating the inherent challenges that are unique to family-owned companies. Award finalists receive access to special FBA resources throughout the year, including events, seminars and media opportunities, all designed to help these companies reach their strategic goals, growth, and success.

"We are thrilled to celebrate family businesses whose accomplishments and particular success stories are not told nearly enough and whose contributions power Massachusetts' economic engine and continue to be the backbone of what has and will continue to drive the US economy "says **Jeffrey Davis, FBA Founding Director**.

**WBZ-TV's David Wade** will served as Master of Ceremonies. The event took place at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge, MA.