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### **High Tech Electric LLC Moves Up on Entrepreneur Magazine Hot 100 List**

Sioux City, Iowa, June 2, 2004 - High Tech Electric was recently listed at number 28 of the top 100 fastest-growing entrepreneurial companies in America in the June 2004 issue of Entrepreneur Magazine after topping off at number 53 in 2003. This marks the second year in a row that the company has made this prestigious list of entrepreneurs and the publication lists the secret of High Tech's success as: "Take care of our workers, and they will take care of us."

Mark C. Pottebaum and Roger Dahlstrom founded High Tech Electric in 2001 with no other employees and a \$90K initial investment. Today the company employs 115 and had sales of more than \$9 Million in 2003. In addition to the offices in Sioux City and Des Moines, the company recently opened a third office in Pickstown, SD to serve Yankton, Vermillion, Sioux Falls and the surrounding area.

High Tech Electric is dedicated to meeting the electrical needs of commercial and industrial customers with an experienced team that includes estimators, project managers, electricians, technicians and an in-house engineering staff. The company offers prompt, efficient and professional services that include: new construction; voice, data and video communications; security and alarm systems; lightning protection; and electrical maintenance and troubleshooting.

When asked to what he attributed HTE's success Pottebaum stated "Sioux City, Des Moines and southeastern South Dakota are presently enjoying a thriving economy and our company has been able to take advantage of a very healthy construction market. We use a team approach on all of our projects and place the customer's needs above all else. High Tech Electric is proud to be a union contractor and many of our highly trained staff are members of I.B.E.W. Local 231, Local 347, or Local 426."

The 10th Annual Hot 100 listing of fast-growing new businesses was compiled with assistance from D&B, the leading provider of global business information and technology solutions. Each company that was considered for Entrepreneur's Hot 100 list was founded after 1999, had more than \$1 million in annual sales for 2003, and has a founder who is actively involved in daily operations and has a controlling interest in the business.

For more than 26 years, Entrepreneur magazine has been the leading authority dedicated to empowering entrepreneurs worldwide to start and grow successful companies. For the complete story and listing, pick up a copy of the June 2004 issue of Entrepreneur Magazine.

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