



Congratulations on your company's nomination for the **USF Fast 56**! Being nominated for this prestigious award is an honor in itself. The USF Fast 56 award program identifies, recognizes, and celebrates the success of the world's 56 fastest growing Bull-owned or Bull-operated businesses. Nominated companies are ranked by percentage of cumulative annual growth in sales or revenue (net of returns) for the company's three most recent 12-month reporting periods ending August 31, 2012. Companies with the highest revenue growth rates will be recognized as members of the 2012 USF Fast 56.

Nominated companies must complete this USF Fast 56 application and a company officer must sign the form. For purposes of this application, corporations, partnerships, sole proprietorships and other entity types are referred to as 'company.'

<b>Company Information</b>	
Name	
Business Type	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Country	
Phone	
Website URL	
<b>USF Bull Leader Information</b>	
Name(s)	
(Names continued)	
Class Year	
Title	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Country	
Phone#	
Email	

### Conformance with Entry Criteria

To be eligible for the USF Fast 56, companies must meet certain age, revenue level, operations and ownership/management criteria. The following questions are intended to verify the company meets these criteria. Check all boxes that apply and enter the required supporting financial information.



To verify sales or revenues (net of returns), enclosed with the completed application must be copies of either:

- (1) audited, reviewed, or compiled financial statements for each of the three 12-month reporting periods, or
- (2) page 1 of the company's tax return for each of the three 12-month reporting periods, or
- (3) letter from external accountant attesting to revenue level for each of the 12-month reporting periods

## Confidentiality and Verification Notice

The University of South Florida Alumni Association reserves the right to verify that nominees meet the criteria and reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any nominee for any reason.

If your company is named to the USF Fast 56, the following information will be published in Alumni Voice magazine and in other articles and media releases: USF Fast 56 ranking, percentage growth rate, company name, year founded, city, state, product/services, and name(s)/class year(s) of USF Bull leader(s).

For USF Fast 56 companies, all other information will be kept confidential. For applicants not named as a USF Fast 56 company, all information submitted will be kept confidential. Applications and supporting financial information will not be returned to the applicant.

All applications and required documents should be mailed directly to the USF Fast 56 program's accounting firm, Ernst & Young, which will receive the information and tabulate the results. Neither the University nor the USF Alumni Association will see or have access to Company required financial documents. Documents should solely be sent to Ernst & Young as directed below.

### REMEMBER TO INCLUDE:

- Completed, signed Application
- Financial statements or tax return information to support revenue figures for the three most recent 12-month reporting periods ending August 31, 2012

#### SUBMITTED BY:

I attest that the information reported in this application and supporting financial information is true and correct, that I understand the Confidentiality and Verification Notice, and I am authorized to submit this application:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING FINANCIAL INFORMATION BY MAIL TO:

USF Fast 56  
C/O Ernst & Young  
401 E. Jackson St., Ste. 1200  
Tampa, FL 33602-5232 USA

Or by email to [usf.fast56@ey.com](mailto:usf.fast56@ey.com)