

**GTO, INC. RECEIVES VENDOR OF YEAR AWARD
FROM TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY**

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Award Reflects Excellence In Product And Product Support

Tallahassee, Fla. – March, 2005 – GTO, Inc, leading manufacturer and provider of the Mighty Mule automatic swing gate openers and accessories, was recently honored at the Tractor Supply Company's (TSC) Annual Vendor Partnership Conference as 2006 Vendor of the Year.

The award was presented by Tractor Supply Company Chairman, Joe Scarlett, President and CEO Jim Wright; Executive Vice President of Merchandising Gerald Brase; and Divisional Vice President of Merchandising Steve Barbarick. On hand to receive the award for GTO was Vice President of Sales Kevin Peaden, Director of Sales Brad Hollis and National Accounts Manager, Andy Jennings.

"This is an award that truly recognizes our entire organization at GTO and is a testament to our values, culture, products and people," said Kevin Peaden, vice president of GTO sales.

Each year at the TSC Annual Vendor Partnership Conference the national chain recognizes those vendors who have gone "above and beyond" as Vendor of the Year. GTO was recognized as part of an elite group of vendors that have consistently support Tractor Supply Company at the highest possible level.

The award distinguishes Mighty Mule among the estimated 1,800 vendors that did business with Tractor Supply Company in 2006. The Vendor of the Year Award is based on Tractor Supply Company and customer criteria that includes sales growth, enhanced program elements, merchandising and marketing innovation, user friendly packaging, superior product quality, Tractor Supply Company training and after-the-sale technical support.

"Mighty Mule excelled in all of the areas that are used to determine Vendor of the Year," said Andy Jennings, National Accounts Manager. "It is a tremendous honor to have been nominated and to receive the award. It puts Mighty Mule in a league few companies ever achieve."

About GTO

Founded in 1987, GTO, Inc. is an American manufacturer and leading provider of turnkey access control system solutions for residential, commercial and industrial applications. GTO manufactures and distributes Might Mule automatic gate operators and accessories for single and dual chain link, farm tube, panel, vinyl, aluminum, wood and ornamental wrought iron fence gates to the do-it-yourself handyman throughout the world.

About Tractor Supply Company

A \$2 billion plus company, Tractor Supply Company is a powerful specialty niche retailer. Tractor Supply Company provides for the lifestyle needs of hobby and part time farmers and ranchers, as well as others who live the rural lifestyle. TSC also serves the maintenance needs of tradesmen and small businesses. The national chain has more than 650 stores in more than 33 states. Its Store Support Center is located in Brentwood, Tenn.

Editor's note: high quality photos of the GTO automatic swing gate openers are available via e-mail.

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