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SOUTH CAROLINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
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TOP-PERFORMING BUSINESSES.

Once again, The Capital Corporation has the honor of presenting South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies<sup>SM</sup>. This highly anticipated ranking has honored some of South Carolina's most promising companies. Since its inception in 2002, 139 companies have had the distinction of being ranked as one of South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies.

This year's winners are a diverse sampling of exceptional businesses covering a broad spectrum in terms of size and industry sector. These businesses span the breadth of South Carolina. The Lowcountry claimed 15 of the winners, followed by the Upstate with 14 and the Midlands with six. New to the roster this year are companies in Hanahan and Chapin.

"I look forward to this event every year. The achievements of these privately and publicly owned businesses and their contributions to the state's

economy never cease to impress me, especially the companies that have made the list in the last few years as the country has struggled with a tumultuous economy. They are a testament to exceptional business acumen and leadership," said Dan Adams, president and chief executive officer of The Capital Corporation.

Top ranked Barling Bay, located in North Charleston, is not new to this ranking, as it occupied the No. 3 slot last year. First-time entrant Southern Tide in Greenville made its debut in a big way by ranking No. 2. Levelwing Media rose from No. 6 last year to take over the No. 3 position.

Joining The Capital Corporation as presenting sponsor this year are Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as co-sponsor, the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce and *Greenville Magazine*, *Greater Pee Dee Business Journal* and *Greater Columbia Business Journal* as media sponsor.

The 2011 rankings were determined using a



proprietary weighted equation tied to increases in gross revenues (or assets) and full-time employment. Submissions were compiled, evaluated and ranked by a review panel from The Capital Corporation. Interviews and site visits were conducted by representatives of The Capital Corporation and Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP. To learn more about South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies, visit [thecapitalcorp.com](http://thecapitalcorp.com), or contact Cristina Schleifer at 864-672-8400.

#### CRITERIA FOR SOUTH CAROLINA'S FASTEST-GROWING COMPANIES

Nominations for South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies 2011 were accepted between June and August 2011. Participation was open to public and private non-governmental entities representing any business or industry sector provided they met the following criteria:

- (a) Headquartered in South Carolina;
- (b) In operation for at least three full fiscal years; and
- (c) Revenues of at least \$3 million (\$50 million in assets for financial institutions) in the most recent reported year.

#### RANKING METHODOLOGY

South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies 2011 rankings were determined by using information submitted for the three most recently completed fiscal years at the time of nomination. Rankings were based on a weighted equation factoring in growth in revenues (or assets) along with increases in full-time employment.

Submittals were compiled, evaluated for completeness and ranked by a review panel from The Capital Corporation in cooperation with the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce. The Capital Corporation tabulated the South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies 2011 list based solely on responses received.

### 2011 SOUTH CAROLINA'S 25 FASTEST-GROWING COMPANIES<sup>SM</sup>

#	Company	Started	Top Executive	Location	Industry	Description
1.	Barling Bay	2004	Bob Bush	North Charleston	Engineering and consulting services	Security, research and development, management and administration company
2.	Southern Tide	2006	Jim Twining	Greenville	Consumer products – apparel	Collection of lifestyle apparel
3.	Levelwing	2002	Steve Parker Jr.	Charleston	Advertising, media and technology	Full-service digital advertising agency and data-driven marketing solutions firm
4.	Select Health of South Carolina	1995	J. Michael Jernigan	Charleston	Insurance	Operator of the state's oldest and largest Medicaid plan
5.	Thomas Glover Associates Inc.	1981	Thomas E. Glover Jr.	Inman	Information technology	Provider of IT system and network evaluations for medium to large corporations
6.	Pegasus Steel LLC	2007	Anthony Deering	Goose Creek	Manufacturing	Professional heavy steel fabrication service center
7.	Human Technologies Inc.	1999	Herbert W. Dew II	Greenville	Human resources	Fully integrated employment solutions company focusing on recruiting, hiring and HR services
8.	Returnable Packaging Resource Inc	1998	Brian Laffler	Greenville	Packaging	Provider of returnable packaging for auto, appliance and assembly facilities

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10.	Dennis Corporation	2005	Dan Dennis	Columbia	Professional services	Licensed engineering, surveying and construction management firm
11.	Lindbergh & Associates LLC	1982	James A. (Tony) Price	North Charleston	Professional services—architecture/engineering	Architecture, engineering, land planning and surveying firm
12.	Customer Effective Solutions Inc.	2003	Scott Millwood	Greenville	Professional services	Customization and implementation of CRM software
13.	RhythmLink International LLC	2002	Shawn Regan	Columbia	Medical manufacturing	Neurodiagnostic accessory manufacturer
14.	UEC Electronics	1995	Rebecca Ufkes	Hanahan	Engineering and manufacturing	Engineering, rapid prototyping, assembly and manufacturing business
15.	Arnold Construction Corp.	1995	Ben D. Arnold	Columbia	Construction	Construction company specializing in design-build delivery systems
16.	eGroup Inc.	1993	Michael Carter	Mt. Pleasant	Information Technology	Technology solutions provider
17.	Hagler Systems Inc.	1996	Bob Hagler	North Augusta	Manufacturing	Manufacturer of dredging and mining equipment
18.	Williams & Fudge Inc.	1986	Gary L. Williams	Rock Hill	Finance	Financial firm that manages and collects defaulted student loans and accounts receivables
19.	JH Global Services Inc.	2003	Jane Zhang	Simpsonville	Manufacturing	Importer and distributor of STAR brand electric golf carts, golfing accessories and industrial products
20.	Chancel Builders Inc.	2005	McKenzie R. Jordan	Myrtle Beach	General contractor	Commercial general contractor
21.	Infinity Marketing Solutions Inc.	1993	Tony Williams	Greenville	Marketing	Media, creative and interactive marketer
22.	Triplett-King & Associates Inc.	1997	Merritt King	Rock Hill	Professional services—engineering	Engineering consulting firm specializing in bridge design, construction inspection and management
23.	Carolina Filters Inc.	1968	Richard Coles Dwight, III	Sumter	Industrial/Commercial services	Provider of filters and green technology services
24.	General Information Services Inc.	1966	Raymond Conrad	Chapin	Professional services	Premier recruitment, hiring and background screening services
25.	Sabal Homes LLC	2005	R. Matthew Jones	Mt. Pleasant	Homebuilding	Homebuilder with extensive background in land acquisition, product development, construction and customer service