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Syracuse, NY (August 23, 2010)- At the 2010 Blade Show in Atlanta, knives using Crucible CPM materials won two prestigious awards. The Ti-Lock knife by Chris Reeve Knives won *Overall Knife of the Year* using CPM S35VN as the blade material. In addition, the Spartan Blades/Harsey Model 1 Limited Edition, won *Knife Collaboration of the Year* using CPM S30V as the blade steel.

Crucible Industries LLC, located in Solway, New York is a producer of corrosion resistant steels and steels for tooling applications. Their premium product line of high alloyed powder metal steels, known as CPM (Crucible Particle Metallurgy), have been used in the production of high end knives since 2000. Crucible has been the leading alloy developer in this field beginning with CPM S60V and the most recent being CPM S35VN. Many of the alloys developed with the initial application being premium knives, have since moved into other markets where properties such as corrosion resistance, wear, and toughness are critical to performance.

Crucible provided CPM billet material to its licensed partner Niagara Specialty Metals who rerolled the award winning steels for Chris Reeve Knives and Spartan Blades.

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