Successful nominations for past Larry R. Johnson Special Awards:

- For the development and implementation into operations of a new hydraulic model used to produce life-saving river forecasts for the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers during 2011 record flooding.
- For recognizing the needs in Geographic Information Systems technologies within the National Weather Service, and for his leadership in implementing many GIS products and services over the past 10 years.
- For exemplary service as an Incident Meteorologist on wildfires in New Mexico, the United States and Australia; and for leadership to advance national and international fire weather training and program development.
- For the design and implementation of a real-time, free-access weather observation and dissemination system to improve forecasts, watches, warnings, agricultural and climatological services for the residents of West Texas.
- For developing critical, life-saving partnerships with elected officials and emergency responders of southwest Louisiana and southeast Texas before, during, and after Hurricane Rita while enduring tremendous personal risk and sacrifice.
- For exceptional skill completing 80 research, development and technology transition projects markedly improving the safety and success of the Space Shuttle and unmanned rocket missions launched by NASA, DOD, and private industry.
- For providing innovative and life-saving meteorological and hydrological services to the citizens of east-central Florida during 2004 Hurricanes Charley, Frances, and Jeanne.