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FuelRod-Maker Tricopian Named to Prestigious Inc. 500 List of America's Fastest-Growing Private Companies

Tricopian, Producer of Popular Mobile Device Charging Service Ranks No. 178 on the 2019 Inc. 500 List with Three-Year Revenue Growth of 2,172 Percent

NEW YORK, August 20, 2019 – *Inc.* magazine has revealed that San Diego-based Tricopian, Inc. is No. 178 on its annual Inc. 500 list, the most prestigious ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. The list represents a unique look at the most successful companies within the American economy's most dynamic segment—its independent small businesses. Microsoft, Dell, Domino's Pizza, Pandora, Timberland, LinkedIn, Yelp, Zillow, and many other well-known names gained their first national exposure as honorees on the Inc. 5000/500.

"It's a great honor to be recognized for earning a spot on the 2019 Inc. 500 list," said Chi Yau, co-founder of Tricopian, Inc. "This recognition is a testament to the many benefits that our [FuelRod](#) mobile device charging service offers users at airports, theme parks, convention centers and other high-traffic venues who need to keep their smartphones and tablets charged on the go. The success of our FuelRod mobile charging service couldn't be achieved without all the hard work and dedication of our staff and our loyal customers."



Not only have the companies on the 2019 Inc. 5000/500 (which are listed online at [Inc.com](#), with the top 500 companies featured in the September issue of *Inc.*, available on newsstands August 20) been very competitive within their markets, but the list as a whole shows staggering growth compared with prior lists. The 2019 Inc. 5000 achieved an astounding three-year average growth of 454 percent, and a median rate of 157 percent. The Inc. 5000's aggregate revenue was \$237.7 billion in 2018, accounting for 1,216,308 jobs over the past three years.

Complete results of the Inc. 5000/500, including company profiles and an interactive database that can be sorted by industry, region, and other criteria, can be found at www.inc.com/inc5000.

"The companies on this year's Inc. 5000 have followed so many different paths to success," says *Inc.* editor in chief James Ledbetter. "There's no single course you can follow or investment you can take that will guarantee this kind of spectacular growth. But what they have in common is persistence and seizing opportunities."

The annual Inc. 5000/500 event honoring the companies on the list will be held October 10 to 12, 2019, at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort and Spa in Phoenix, Arizona. As always, speakers include some of the greatest innovators and business leaders of our generation.

About Tricopian, Inc.

Founded in 2011, San Diego-based Tricopian, Inc. is the manufacturer of the popular FuelRod™ Power-on-the-Go mobile device charging service. The innovative FuelRod recharge and swap program available at numerous airports in the U.S. and Europe as well as at theme parks and convention centers helps to keep batteries out of landfills to support a cleaner, more productive planet. Tricopian holds patents on its two-way exchange kiosks in the U.S., Europe, Japan, and China and is the first company to achieve UL listing on both its batteries and instant SwapBox™ kiosks. Tricopian offers battery solutions servicing a wide range of product applications from cell phones and tablets, to flashlights and remote-control toys. For more information, visit www.fuel-rod.com. FuelRod can be found on Twitter and Facebook @FuelRodPower.

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Methodology

The 2019 Inc. 5000 is ranked according to percentage revenue growth when comparing 2015 and 2018. To qualify, companies must have been founded and generating revenue by March 31, 2015. They had to be U.S.-based, privately held, for profit, and independent—not subsidiaries or divisions of other companies—as of December 31, 2018. (Since then, a number of companies on the list have gone public or been acquired.) The minimum revenue required for 2015 is \$100,000; the minimum for 2018 is \$2 million. As always, *Inc.* reserves the right to decline applicants for subjective reasons. Companies on the Inc. 500 are featured in *Inc.*'s September issue. They represent the top tier of the Inc. 5000, which can be found at <http://www.inc.com/inc5000>.

About Inc. Media

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The Inc. 5000 is a list of the fastest-growing private companies in the nation. Started in 1982, this prestigious list has become the hallmark of entrepreneurial success. The Inc. 5000 Conference & Awards Ceremony is an annual event that celebrates the remarkable achievements of these companies. The event also offers informative workshops, celebrated keynote speakers, and evening functions.

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