



THE CONSTRUCTION USERS ROUNDTABLE

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The Construction Users Roundtable Salutes Safety Excellence In The Construction Industry

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The Construction Users Roundtable (CURT) is proud to announce its annual Construction Industry Safety Excellence (CISE) Awards and called upon the industry to continue its progress in promoting construction site safety across the United States, Canada and the rest of the globe. CURT is committed to working towards continued improvement in construction industry safety performance as one of its core initiatives.

The Construction Users Roundtable is an association of leading corporations dedicated to the promotion of cost effective construction methods. The members, as major consumers of construction services seek to foster improved construction safety performance through recognition of the achievement of excellence and the promotion of proven effective work practices.

The CISE program seeks to encourage efforts to improve safety by recognizing safety leaders in all segments of the construction industry. Award applications were distributed to CURT members as well as leading national contractor associations and local construction user councils throughout the United States and Canada.

"With the CISE awards now in their sixth year, the benefit of recognizing achievement shows in the superior construction site safety performance demonstrated by those who participated in this year's program, and the lessons of leadership which can serve as an example for others in the industry," said Dr. Ron G. Prichard of Arcanum Professional Services and Chairman of the CISE Awards Committee since their inception. "This year the tenants of the CURT Owner Safety Blueprint were emphasized in the program evaluation. The accomplishments of the Owners, as reflected in the safety programs of all those competing, provide guidance that is worthy of emulation throughout the entire construction industry. The competition, as always was particularly tough in the contractor's category where it requires three years of exemplary performance to even participate."

The **CURT CISE Owner Safety Awards** were presented to: ExxonMobil Baytown and PSEG Fossil, LLC for *Owner Company Operating Entity*, ExxonMobil Beaumont and ConocoPhillips Company for *Specific US Construction Project 3-12 Months in Duration*; Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. and Merck & Co., Inc. for *Specific US Construction Project 12 Months Duration* and Merck & Co, Inc., and Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., for *International Project*. These awards recognize the important role of owners in managing safety performance and achieving excellent results. The winners were selected from among dozens of applications.

CURT CISE Constructor Safety Awards went to contractors in various Standard Industry Codes (SIC) recognizing their outstanding safety performances over the past three years. Award recipients were:

SIC 15 (Building Construction: General Contractors and Operative Builders) – Bancroft Construction Company of Wilmington, DE and Gilbane Building Company of Providence, RI. Honorable mention goes to Blaine Construction Corporation out of Knoxville, TN.

SIC 16 (Heavy Construction Other Than Building Construction) – Triple “S” Industrial Corporation out of Lumberton, TX; BE&K Construction Co. from Birmingham, AL. Honorable mentions go to L Con Constructors of Houston, TX and S&B Engineers and Constructors, Ltd. also from Houston, TX.

SIC 17 (Construction Special Trades) – Harper Limbach LLC of Sanford, FL.

This is the fifth year that CURT has recognized a **Local User Council** for its safety initiatives. The winner was The Greater Baton Rouge Industry Alliance, Inc. (GBRIA). This Council was one of twenty-five possible submissions from The CURT Local User Council Network located throughout the United States and Canada.

Encouraging owners and contractors to adopt the principles outlined in the newly released CURT publication entitled, “The Construction Owners’ Safety Blueprint,” demonstrates CURT’s commitment to promoting a safer construction industry.

“Safety Improvement will continue to be a key deliverable and core value for CURT and its member firms. Those who do an outstanding job at reducing construction workers’ injuries are to be commended,” said Gregory Sizemore, CURT Executive Vice President. He continues, “Owners will continue to work towards continuous safety improvement.”

CURT announced the prestigious awards and made the presentations during its National Construction Conference at The Hilton El Conquistador Resort on November 14, 2006.

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