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NIA Announces the 2014 Theodore H. Brodie Distinguished Safety Award Winners

San Antonio, Texas—March 26, 2015—The National Insulation Association (NIA) announced the 2014 Theodore H. Brodie Distinguished Safety Award winners at NIA’s 60th Annual Convention in San Antonio, Texas, on March 26, 2015. The Theodore H. Brodie Distinguished Safety Award is NIA’s highest industry honor and the only national award for outstanding safety performance in the mechanical insulation industry. NIA created the award program in 2004 to recognize top companies that have established structured safety programs to ensure the well-being of their employees and create safe working environments.

NIA’s Executive Vice President/CEO Michele Jones noted, “NIA believes that safety is a cornerstone of our industry. We are honored to recognize our member companies that take steps to make safety a top priority. We would like to congratulate all of this year’s winners.”

Throughout the judging process, applicant companies remain anonymous and winners are evaluated on the basis of their overall safety program, means of communication, and safety policy. The judging panel of expert safety professionals includes Health and Safety Committee leadership and NIA’s General Counsel and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Expert Gary Auman of Dunlevey, Mahan & Furry. All applicant companies receive an individualized and detailed Safety Training Analysis Results (STAR) Report.

Recognizing that safety concerns differ among the sectors of the mechanical insulation industry, the awards program includes 3 award categories: Associates (Manufacturers), Contractors, and Distributors/Fabricators. The award program honors 4 levels of excellence: Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum.

The **Associates (Manufacturer) category** winners are:

**Bronze:**
- CertainTeed Corporation, Valley Forge, PA
- Proto Corporation, Clearwater, FL

**Silver:**
- Industrial Insulation Group, Brunswick, GA

**Gold:**
- Armacell, Mebane, NC
- Armacell (Atlanta location), Atlanta, GA
- Pittsburgh Corning, Pittsburgh, PA
- Roxul USA, Milton, Ontario, Canada

**Platinum:**
- Dyplast Products, LLC, Miami, FL
The Contractor category winners are:

**Bronze:**
- ABMECH, Inc., *W. Homestead, PA*
- Kirby-Vass Insulation, *Roanoke, VA*
- Marquis Construction Services, *Clute, TX*

**Gold:**
- B.C. Flynn Contracting Corporation, *Congers, NY*
- Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, *Kennesaw, GA*
- DKB, Inc., *Pasco, WA*
- Farwest Insulation Contracting, *Anaheim, CA*
- Geo. V. Hamilton, Inc., *McKees Rocks, PA*
- Hudson Bay Insulation Company, *Seattle, WA*
- Industrial Construction & Engineering, *Saint Peters, MO*
- Petrin Corporation, *Port Allen, LA*
- Thermal Solutions – Ohio, Inc., *Proctorville, OH*

**Platinum:**
- Advanced Industrial Services, LLC, *Walbridge, OH*
- Advanced Specialty Contractors, LLC, *Aston, PA*
- API, Inc., *Saint Paul, MN*
- Atlantic Contracting & Specialties, LLC, *Yonkers, NY*
- Cornerstone Services Group, LLC, *Kansas City, MO*
- Gribbins Insulation Company, Inc., *Evansville, IN*
- Ith Companies, Inc., *Union, MO*
- Iowa Illinois Taylor Insulation Company, *Davenport, IA*
- I-Star Energy Solutions, *Lancaster, PA*
- Luse Thermal Technologies, *Aurora, IL*
- New States Contracting, LLC, *Sayreville, NJ*
- Performance Contracting, Inc., *Lenexa, KS*
- Summit Contracting, LLC, *Salt Lake City, UT*
- Zampell Companies, *Newburyport, MA*

The Distributor/Fabricator category winners are:

**Bronze:**
- Distribution International, Inc., *Houston, TX*
- Insulation Fabricators, Inc., *Hammond, IN*

**Gold:**
- Pacor, Inc., *Bordentown, NJ*
- Winroc-SPI, *Lancaster, PA*

**Platinum:**
- E.J. Bartells, *Renton, WA*
- PBI Supply, Inc., *Lubbock, TX*
- Selle Supply Company, *Lubbock, TX*

The Theodore H. Brodie Distinguished Safety Award program is named in honor of NIA Past President Ted Brodie, who worked tirelessly for many decades to create a greater awareness of the need for safe working conditions. Mr. Brodie first chaired the association's Health and Safety Committee in 1967, served as NIA's President in 1971, and he received NIA's President's Award in
1988. Mr. Brodie was the President and CEO of New England Insulation Co., Inc. in Canton, Massachusetts for 50 years.