



NIA Announces the 2020 Safety Excellence Award Winners

Herndon, Virginia—March 19, 2021—The National Insulation Association (NIA) announced the 2020 Safety Excellence Award winners in conjunction with its Virtual Spring Summit, which took place online March 16–18, 2021.

NIA's Safety Excellence Award is the only national award for outstanding safety performance in the mechanical insulation industry. NIA created the award program more than a decade ago 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 Safety Excellence Award program honors four levels of excellence: Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze for Associates (Manufacturers), Contractors, Distributors/Fabricators, and Metal Building Laminators.

NIA's Executive Vice President/CEO Michele M. Jones said, "In a year like no other, we are extremely proud to have a new record of 33 Platinum winners and to welcome 1 new first-time applicant. Each year, we honor our member companies that prioritize safety and make continuous improvements to their programs, and this year, we do so knowing that a strong and well communicated safety program is more important than ever."

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. All applicant companies receive an individualized and detailed Safety Training Analysis Results (STAR) Report™. The STAR Report includes personalized recommendations based on each applicant's answers to the application questions.

Associate (Manufacturer) category winners are:

Silver:

- Polyguard Products, Inc., *Ennis, TX*

Gold:

- Proto Corp., *Clearwater, FL*

Platinum:

- Armacell, *Chapel Hill, NC*
- CertainTeed Corp., *Malvern, PA*
- Dyplast Products, LLC, *Miami, FL*
- Johns Manville, *Denver, CO*
- Owens Corning, *Toledo, OH*
- ROCKWOOL Technical Insulation, *Milton, ON, Canada*

Contractor category winners are:

Gold:

- BrandSafway Services, LLC, *Kennesaw, GA*
- F & H Insulation Sales and Services, Inc., *Kechi, KS*
- Geo. V. Hamilton, Inc., *McKees Rocks, PA*
- Industrial Construction & Engineering Co., *Saint Peters, MO*
- Insulations, Inc., *Harahan, LA*

Platinum:

- Advanced Industrial Services, LLC, *Toledo, OH*
- Advanced Nuclear, LLC, *Greenwood, IN*
- Advanced Specialty Contractors, LLC, *Aston, PA*
- Argus Contracting, LLC, *Santa Fe Springs, CA*
- Atlantic Contracting & Specialties, LLC, *Hicksville, NY*
- Cornerstone Services Group, LLC, *Omaha, NE*
- DKB, Inc., *Pasco, WA*
- Farwest Insulation Contracting, *Anaheim, CA*
- Gagnon, Inc., *St. Paul, MN*
- Gribbins Insulation Co., Inc., *Evansville, IN*
- Hawkeye Insulation Specialists, Inc., *Cedar Rapids, IA*
- Iowa Illinois Taylor Insulation Co., *Davenport, IA*
- I-Star Energy Solutions, *Quarryville, PA*
- L.C. Insulations, Inc., *Lititz, PA*
- Liberty Industrial Group, *Phoenix, AZ*

- Luse Thermal Technologies, *Aurora, IL*
- Performance Contracting, Inc., *Lenexa, KS*
- QCI Thermal Systems, Inc., *Iowa City, IA*
- Summit Contracting, LLC, *Portland, OR*
- Thermal Solutions—Ohio, Inc., *Proctorville, OH*

Distributor/Fabricator category winners are:

Gold:

- Geo. V. Hamilton, Inc., *McKees Rocks, PA*
- Thermaxx, LLC, *West Haven, CT*

Platinum:

- American Mechanical Insulation Sales, Inc., *Farmington Hills, MI*
- Bay Insulation Systems, Inc., *Green Bay, WI*
- Distribution International, Inc., *Houston, TX*
- Extol of Ohio, Inc., *Norwalk, OH*
- Shook & Fletcher Insulation Co., *Birmingham, AL*
- Specialty Products & Insulation, *Charlotte, NC*

Metal Building Laminator category winners are:

Gold:

- Silvercote, A Distribution International Co., *Greenville, SC*

Platinum:

- Bay Insulation Systems, Inc., *Green Bay, WI*

Congratulations to all the winners, and NIA looks forward to recognizing each company in person at NIA's 63rd Annual Convention, taking place October 26–28, 2021, at the MGM National Harbor. An archive of the award announcement will be available at www.insulation.org/membership/safety-award/award-winners/.

Applications for the 2021 Safety Award are now available on NIA's website (www.insulation.org/membership/safety-award/) and are due on September 1, 2021.

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