



NIA Announces the 2025 Safety Excellence Award Winners

Fajardo, Puerto Rico—March 26, 2026—The National Insulation Association (NIA) announced the 2025 Safety Excellence Award winners in conjunction with its 70th Annual Convention, which is taking place in Fajardo, Puerto Rico, March 24–26, 2026.

NIA's Safety Excellence Award is the only national award for outstanding safety performance in the mechanical insulation industry. The award program recognizes 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 Manufacturers, Contractors, Distributors/Fabricators, and Metal Building Laminators. Companies are judged by a panel of experts on their individual applications that describe each company's safety program areas. They are not judged against one another.

NIA's Executive Vice President/CEO Michele M. Jones said, "For 70 years, NIA members have worked together to build a stronger, safer industry. This year's Safety Excellence Award winners represent the very best of that tradition. Of these 40 total winners, we are so proud to have 24 Platinum winners, 15 Gold winners, and 1 Silver winner. These dedicated organizations earned this recognition through sustained team efforts at every level to continually evaluate and elevate their safety programs. I am proud to be in an industry that always puts safety first."

Applicant companies remain anonymous throughout the judging process, 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.

Congratulations to:
Associate (Manufacturer) Category Winners

Platinum:

- Aeroflex USA, *Sweetwater, TN*
- Johns Manville, *Denver, CO*
- Knauf, *Shelbyville, IN*
- Owens Corning, *Toledo, OH*
- ROCKWOOL Technical Insulation, *Houston, TX*

Gold:

- Alkegen, *Tonawanda, NY*
- Armacell, *Chapel Hill, NC*
- Foster Products (HB Fuller Construction Products), *Vadnais Heights, MN*
- Morgan Advanced Materials Thermal Ceramics, *Augusta, GA*
- Promat, Inc., *Maryville, TN*
- Proto Corporation, *Clearwater, FL*

Contractor Category Winners**Platinum:**

- Farwest Insulation Contracting, *Anaheim, CA*
- Gagnon, Inc., *St. Paul, MN*
- Gribbins Insulation & Scaffolding, *Evansville, IN*
- I&I Soft Craft Solutions, *New Orleans, LA*
- International Asbestos Removal, Inc., *Babylon, NY*
- Irex Advanced Industrial, LLC, *Toledo, OH*
- Irex Advanced Specialty, LLC, *Aston, PA*
- Irex Argus Contracting, LP, *Santa Fe Springs, CA*
- Irex Atlantic Contracting, LLC, *Franklin, MA*
- Irex Cornerstone Services, LLC, *Omaha, NE*
- Irex Energy Solutions, LLC, *Quarryville, PA*
- JT THORPE, *Phoenix, AZ*
- Performance Contracting, Inc., *Lenexa, KS*

Gold:

- F & H Insulation Sales and Services, Inc., *Kechi, KS*
- Franklin Insulation Group, *Columbus, GA*
- IITI Group, Inc., *Davenport, IA*
- L.C. Insulations, Inc., *Lititz, PA*
- Luse Contracting Group, *Aurora, IL*
- QCI Thermal Systems, Inc., *Iowa City, IA*
- Rival Insulation, LLC, *Troy, MI*
- TBN Associates, Inc., *Lanham, MD*

Silver:

- KW Specialty Services, LLC, *St. Paul, MN*

Distributor/Fabricator Category Winners

Platinum:

- Bay Insulation Supply, Inc., *Green Bay, WI*
- Distribution International, Inc., *Houston, TX*
- Fit Tight Covers, *Evansville, IN*
- MacArthur Co., *St. Paul, MN*

Gold:

- Specialty Products & Insulation, *Charlotte, NC*

Metal Building Laminator Category Winners

Platinum:

- Bay Insulation Systems, Inc., *Green Bay, WI*
- Silvercote, A Distribution International Company, *Greenville, SC*

For more information about the NIA Safety Program, please contact the NIA office or visit the website listed below. An archive of past award winners is available at www.insulation.org/membership/safety-award/award-winners. Applications for the 2026 Safety Excellence Award will be available on NIA's website (www.insulation.org/membership/safety-award) later this year.

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