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***Associated Builders and Contractors of
Georgia Announce
2009 Safety Award Winners***

(Atlanta, GA, May 26, 2009) - The Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia (ABC) presented its 2009 Safety Awards to 47 honorees in the field of construction at its annual luncheon held May 11. The association's National STEP and Georgia Chapter Safety Awards are given yearly to Georgia contractors who have achieved the lowest rate of on-the-job accidents in the state, and have demonstrated the highest commitment to safety.

ABC's Safety Training and Evaluation (STEP) Awards recognize members who achieve effective safety practices at their firms, and are based on 20 key elements of contractor safety programs such as management commitment, safety responsibilities of personnel, and budget. The STEP process, developed and written by contractors for contractors, is a tool designed to objectively evaluate safety programs, policies, procedures and training.

"Recent statistics show that ABC members who participate in the STEP program have a 58% lower fatality rate than the national average," said 2009 ABC Safety Forum Chairman John Ambrosia, Trainer with H.B. Training and Consulting, who announced the award recipients. "Their incidence rate is more than 30% lower. Those who participate in STEP are doing their business and their employees a world of good, helping people return home safely each night," he said.

Winners of the Georgia Safety Awards of Excellence are determined by calculating a company's total incident rate and the amount of time lost due to job-related injuries. To achieve this award, companies must have had no employee fatalities, and their total recordable and lost time rates must both be lower than the national average.

The event was sponsored by Benning Construction Company, Fly & Form, Inc., HITT Contracting Inc., Sterling Risk Advisors and Teton Industrial Construction, Inc.

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2009 Safety Award Winners

Bronze STEP

Principle Partners

Silver STEP

Classic Concrete Forming

Gold STEP

Alpha Insulation

Bardi Mechanical

Carter Concrete Structures

DHR Mechanical

Dooleymack Constructors of Georgia, Inc.

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Comfort Systems USA – Atlanta

Excel Electrical Technologies

Gardner Glass & Glazing, Inc.

Hardin Construction Company

HITT Contracting, Inc.

Industrial Technical Services, Inc.

JAMCo., Inc.

Juneau Construction Company

MetroPower, Inc.

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Pinkerton & Laws

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The Saxon Group

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ABC of Georgia represents over 350 of Georgia's commercial and industrial contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and service firms, representing more than 15,000 employees. ABC supports the merit shop philosophy of construction that emphasizes free enterprise and open competition. The statewide organization is one of 79 chapters of the Associated Builders and Contractors in Washington, D.C. with more than 25,000 members across the country.

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