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Richards Corporation Named to ABC's Top-performing U.S. Commercial and Industrial Construction

Contractors List

Terryville, CT, March 10, 2020 — Richards Corporation of Terryville was ranked 146th in the Top 200 Performers and 77th in the Top 120 General Contractors in America on <u>Associated Builders and Contractors</u>' 2020 Top Performers list(s), which recognizes ABC member contractors' achievements in safety, quality, diversity and project excellence, ranked by work hours.

Published as a supplement to <u>Construction Executive</u> magazine, the ABC Top Performers lists identify the Top 200 Performers, Top 120 General Contractors, Top 30 Electrical Contractors, Top 20 Plumbing/HVAC Contractors and Top 30 Specialty Contractors, all of which have earned the elite Accredited Quality Contractor credential, as well as the Top 75 Performers With Special Designations.

"It is an honor to even be mentioned in the same conversation with the other companies on this list. At Richards Corporation we strive to find the employee that has the same mindset as our core value. 'Be the best you can be every single day'. We all work hard toward that very simple common goal." – Richard M. Doyle, Jr., President

To be eligible, Richards Corporation demonstrated world-class safety performance by achieving Gold status or higher in ABC's STEP Safety Management System, which makes the top-performing contractors up to 827% safer than the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics industry average, according to the ABC 2020 Safety Performance Report. The Top Performers were ranked by size based on the number of hours worked in 2018, as reported in their 2019 STEP applications. ABC members that earn the AQC credential certify their commitment to quality, safety, craft and management education, talent management, diversity and community relations.

"ABC Top Performers are the best large contractors in the merit shop construction industry, demonstrating the highest commitment to world-class safety, craftmanship, workforce development and community engagement," said Michael Bellaman, president and chief executive officer of ABC. "These rankings identify contractors like Richards Corporation that will continue to lead our industry as we adopt innovative technologies, tackle industry-wide challenges such as the workforce shortage, and lead us into a new decade."

Richards Corporation is a Diamond Award contractor and holds ABC's Accredited Quality Contractor award.

Access the 2020 Top Performers list at abc.org/topperformers.