

KCUC EARNS CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARD

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The Construction Users Roundtable (CURT) announced its annual Construction Industry Safety Excellence (CISE) Awards and called upon the industry to continue its progress in promoting construction site safety.

CURT is an association of leading domestic corporations dedicated to promotion of cost effective construction methods. Its members seek to foster improved construction safety performance through recognition of the achievement of safety excellence.

The CISE program seeks to encourage efforts by recognizing safety leaders in all segments of the construction industry. Award applications are distributed to CURT members as well as leading national contractor associations and local construction user councils.

This is the first year that CURT recognized a Local User Council for safety initiatives, and the winner was the Kentuckiana Construction Users Council out of a possible 25 admissions from Local User Councils throughout the United States.

KCUC has 17 Owner, 52 Contractor, and 5 Subscriber members from labor and trade organizations, representing more than 5000 craft personnel. In December 2000, KCUC joined the Association of Reciprocal Safety Councils (ARSC) to improve efficiency, consistency, and quality of safety orientations for its Contractors. In support of the ARSC:

- Introduced the ARSC Basic Orientation Plus™ program at its March 2001 meeting, one of the best-attended in KCUC history
- KCUC has worked with the Evansville, IN Owners to form the Tri-State Industrial Safety Council, and sponsored its membership application to ARSC, which was accepted in May 2003
- KCUC oriented about 1200 Louisville area contractors in its first year, and will orient about 1600 in its third year
- KCUC is encouraging participation from typically non-PSM regulated businesses

The winners of the CISE Owner Safety Awards and Constructor Safety Awards can be found on the CURT website at www.curt.org.

CURT announced the prestigious awards and made the presentations at the 2003 National Construction Conference at The Registry Resort in Naples, FL on November 10, 2003.