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CalCIMA Announces Safety Awards Recipients

Sacramento. The California Construction & Industrial Materials Association (CalCIMA) announces the 2013 recipients of the CalCIMA Excellence in Safety Awards.

“These awards recognize plants that have taken significant steps to create safer workplaces,” said Gary Hambly, President & CEO of CalCIMA. “They recognize the team effort from workers, supervisors, and management to allow for the innovation, processes, and communication to improve workplace safety,” said Hambly.

“The CalCIMA Excellence in Safety Award is unique in that it goes beyond numbers and seeks to find changes in culture, engineering, procedures, and communication to learn where mines and plants are adapting and changing to improve safety,” said Mike Herges with Graniterock and co-chair of the CalCIMA Safety & Health Committee.

The awards have several categories for aggregate, ready mixed concrete, and industrial minerals plants and personnel. This year, the judging panel selected winners in five categories:

Cement Plant – *TXI Riverside Cement’s* Crestmore Quarry & Plant in Riverside County.

Ready Mixed Concrete Plant – *Lehigh Hanson’s* Paso Robles Ready Mixed Concrete Plant in San Luis Obispo County.

Industrial Mineral Plant – *Lhoist North America’s* Natividad Plant in Monterrey County.

Small Aggregate Plant (fewer than 20 employees) – *Calaveras Materials Inc.’s* Merced Aggregate Mine in Merced County.

Large Aggregate Mine – *Lehigh Hanson's* Irwindale Rock Plant in Los Angeles County.

Awards presentations were made by Wyatt Andrews, western district manager for the Mine Safety & Health Administration's metal and non-metal division, on November 13 at the 2013 CalCIMA Education Conference.

A 10 member judging panel of industry and agency officials selected the award winners.

CalCIMA is a trade association for aggregate, ready mixed concrete, and industrial mineral producers in California. The members of CalCIMA provide local materials to build roads, bridges, hospitals and schools, and support agricultural and manufacturing industries in California. In all, CalCIMA's membership includes over 500 production facilities.

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