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D-A-S Construction Co. Recognized for Safety Excellence

CLEVELAND – With a track record of more than 800 workdays without a lost time claim, D-A-S Construction Co., located in Cleveland, has firmly established itself as an elite company which prides itself on providing a safe work environment. By instituting an outstanding culture of safety, D-A-S is earning recognition as one of six Ohio employers, and the only from the construction industry, to receive the Governor's Excellence in Workers' Compensation Award, presented today by BWC Administrator Marsha Ryan.

"Safety is paramount to our mission at D-A-S. Our employees come to work with the confidence that they will return home safely at the end of the day," said D-A-S Vice President Jeff Troxell. "Our safety goals have been accomplished through the hard work of our employees and the dedicated efforts of the members of our safety team".

For more than a decade the Governor's Excellence in Workers' Compensation Award program has recognized Ohio businesses and public employers who provide a safe, cost-effective workplace for their employees, while also supporting their injured workers

"D-A-S Construction Co. has been selected because of its strong commitment to create a safe work environment for its employees," said Governor Ted Strickland. "The company has invested considerable time and energy into tailoring programs and methods that are meeting the safety and educational needs of its workforce."

D-A-S holds, at a minimum, an annual safety meeting with all employees, where safety goals are established and the company's Employee Safety Training Manual is reviewed. This is in addition to regular meetings of the D-A-S Safety Team, which includes employees from several disciplines throughout the operation.

"D-A-S Construction has initiated outstanding practices to not only ensure the safety of its employees, but to reduce claims which keeps its workers' compensation premiums low," said Administrator Ryan. "In a very high risk industry, D-A-S has exhibited outstanding vision in its safety initiatives and should serve as a model for all of Ohio's public and private employers."

Awards are presented to: three private, state-fund employers, two of these winners must have fewer than 100 employees; two awards are given to public employers; and the final winner is a self-insuring company. For information on the BWC's programs and services to increase workplace safety, visit ohiobwc.com.

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