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BRANDENBURG INDUSTRIAL SERVICE ACHIEVES 'STAR' STATUS IN IOSHA PROGRAM

INDIANAPOLIS (March 18, 2016) – Brandenburg Industrial Service Company, of Gary, Indiana, received certification as "Star" mobile worksites in the Indiana Voluntary Protection Program (VPP), marking achievement in outstanding and consistent workplace safety and health success.

Brandenburg Industrial Service Company specializes in demolition, asbestos abatement, hazardous materials removal, soil remediation, excavation and dynamic compaction. The company has 80 employees who operate across the state and are coordinated out of an office at US Steel in Gary, Indiana. Employees are represented by Laborers International Union of North America Local #41, #81 and #120 and International Union of Operating Engineers Local #150 and #103.

"The hardworking management and employees at jobsites for Brandenburg Industrial Service Company maintain an excellent relationship with the Indiana Department of Labor," said Indiana Department of Labor (IDOL) Commissioner Rick J. Ruble. "The IDOL is very pleased to certify Brandenburg Industrial Service Company as a 'Star' in the Indiana VPP program and knows the organization will continue to be a model company for workplace safety and health excellence."

Worksite hazards at these jobsites include falls, burns and respiratory exposures, but housekeeping at Brandenburg Industrial Service Company's locations was considered excellent by the VPP evaluation team. Management and employees showed in-depth understanding of safety procedures and policies, as well as involvement in the company's safety and health programs.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the company has a three-year Total Case Incidence Rate (TCIR) of 2.9 per 100 workers. The Days Away/Restricted/Transferred Case Incidence (DART) rate for the same period (2012-2014) is 1.1 per 100 workers. The company's TCIR is 12 percent below the industry average, and the DART rate is 39 percent below the industry average.

About the Indiana Department of Labor:

The mission of the Indiana Department of Labor is to advance the safety, health and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. In order to make significant strides, we emphasize both enforcement and voluntary compliance by employers. Follow the Indiana Department of Labor on Twitter: @INDeptofLabor and Like on Facebook: facebook.com/IndianaDeptartmentofLabor.

About VPP:

The Voluntary Protection Program provides recognition to Hoosier employers that operate exemplary safety and health management systems. Certification in VPP is an achievement of status that will single employers out among their business peers as a model worksite for Hoosier workplace safety and health.

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