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Indiana Department of Labor Honors Universical Corporation with Safety Award

Indianapolis, IN November 5, 2009 – The Indiana Department of Labor is pleased to announce the certification of Universical Corporation, located in Angola, Indiana, in the Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP).

Founded in 1938, Universical Corporation is a copper mill and chemical manufacturer for the plating industry. Today, the family owned business employs more than 50 employees.

Universical management’s commitment to, and employee involvement in, workplace safety and health is a critical component of their effective system. When it comes to the occupational safety and health of employees, Universical has an open door policy. Employees are encouraged to share safety and health ideas and suggestions. In addition to the internal safety and health audits performed by members of the company’s safety committee, Universical works with an insurance company to conduct “mock” OSHA inspections.

The INSHARP award ceremony was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at the company’s facility in Angola, Indiana. The ceremony provided an opportunity for the company’s employees, staff and management to showcase their exemplary status to the media, state officials and local elected officials.

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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 compliance assistance to employers. www.in.gov/dol.

About INSHARP:
INSHARP, a federally recognized program, is one of two of Indiana's exemplary safety and health recognition programs. INSHARP was established to recognize and promote exemplary safety and health management systems throughout the state. INSHARP status can be achieved when management and employees work together to create and maintain a safe and healthy work environment.

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