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The Association of Geohazard Professionals Announce Rope Access Safety Recognition Recipients for 2021

Bridgewater, NJ, (December 17, 2021) - The Association of Geohazard Professionals is pleased to recognize <u>Acadia Mountain Guides Climbing School</u>, <u>Acuren Industrial</u>, <u>Emil</u> <u>Anderson Construction (EAC)</u>, <u>Gannett Fleming Inc.</u>, <u>GeoBuild</u>, <u>GeoStabilization International®</u>, <u>Global Rope Access</u>, <u>GZA GeoEnvironmental</u>, <u>HI-TECH Rockfall Construction Inc.</u>, <u>McMillen</u> <u>Jacobs Associates</u>, <u>Pacific Blasting & Demolition Ltd.</u>, <u>Washington State Department of Transportation</u>, and <u>Yeh and Associates</u>, <u>Inc.</u> as recipients of the 2021 AGHP Rope Access Safety Recognition Program. This program, honoring best-in-class safety development and implementation initiatives within the geohazard industry, distinguishes companies that foster and employ safe rope access work procedures, provide education and training to their personnel, and commit to enhancing the safety culture within their organizations. Criteria for consideration include:

- lowest TRC rate
- minimum combined 85-point score in leading and trailing safety indicator categories
- lowest Days Away and Restricted duty/job Transfer case (DART) rate.

Each applicants' safety program and performance metrics were reviewed, including Total Incident Rates and Lost Time / Modified Duty Rates statistics. Additionally, management involvement and commitment to the firm's safety program, written rope access safety procedures, and adherence to industry best practices were examined.

"The AGHP is very excited about this year's Rope Access Safety Recognition. Once again, the number of recipients has grown with a total of 13 recipients as more and more organizations step up and show their pride in worker safety. Those carrying out geohazards mitigation put their lives in danger every time they go to work and so there is no greater responsibility of an

organization to ensure that each and every employee comes home safe. Congratulations to all the recipients and keep working safe!"

Ahren Bichler, President of the Association of Geohazard Professionals General Manager, Trumer Schutzbauten Canada

For more information on the Rope Access Safety Recognition, click <u>here</u>. Applications for the 2022 recognition will open in April 2022. To learn more about the Association of Geohazard Professionals and become a member, click <u>here</u>.

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About the Association of Geohazard Professionals

The Association of Geohazard Professionals (AGHP) was created in 2013 to support the development of standards, specifications, and best practices concerning the design and implementation of geohazard-related technologies and products; and to support and provide education to the geohazard community and those it serves. Manufacturers, engineers, agency personnel, contractors and all others interacting with geohazards design, installation and implementation are invited to join the association and contribute to the achievement of our goals.