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**AGC National Safety Award goes to MD Drilling & Blasting. Again.**

(Milford, MA • 14 July 2014) For the second year in a row, MD Drilling & Blasting has been recognized by the Associated General Contractors of America, as a National Award Winner for its exemplary safety record. This current award presented in Boston late June was for the year ending December 31, 2013.

The award is based on a nationwide program, in which close to 1,700 AGC-member contractors throughout the country participated this year. One of 15 firms to achieve this honor and be recognized for their exemplary safety records, MD Drilling & Blasting is very proud of its accomplishment. In order to qualify for the award, an AGC-member firm must participate for three continuous years and have either zero lost-day incidence cases or an average incidence case rate 25% below the average rate of all firms that participate in that Division/Group.



John Capasso, President of MD Drilling & Blasting, and Andy Dufore, Division Manager MD North, received the award from Dave Bunnell, AON Construction Services Group. “Our safety success at MD Drilling & Blasting can be attributed to the attitude that our employees bring to the field each and every day,” remarked Dufore. “They should be commended for the efforts put forth in receiving the AGC Award. It is proof that putting safety first, from planning the jobs to executing the plan, keeps everyone out of harm’s way.”

*Dave Bunnell (L), of AON Construction Services Group presents the AGC National Safety Award to John Capasso (C) and Andy Dufore (R).*

MD Drilling & Blasting actually received a flawless ZERO incident case rate, for the past two years. These statistics are a total from two independently operating MD Divisions, North and South. Jereme Caron, Division Manager MD South reflects, “I attribute our safety performance to the maturing culture of our employees. Our crews understand that the first priority is the safety of their projects. Conducting our operations without incident is the responsibility we all have to each other, our customers and the general public. No one gets hurt.”

MD Drilling & Blasting, a subsidiary of Maine Drilling & Blasting, is recognized as a leader in the industry and offers drilling and blasting services to the construction and quarry markets, along with a variety of specialty services throughout the Northeastern United States, including rock bolting, hoe ramming, engineering, public relations, pre-blast surveys and packaged and bulk distribution. In addition to the corporate office in Gardiner, Maine, Maine Drilling & Blasting has offices in New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Pennsylvania.