



WVCA Annual Mining Symposium 2016 Safety and Environmental Awards

38 Coal Industry Firms Recognized for Commitment to Workplace Safety

Mine safety is a central focus of West Virginia's coal industry. At the Symposium, 38 mining and service companies were recognized for their commitment to exemplary safety performance in 2015.

Topping the list of award winners was ACI Tygart Valley Leer Complex, which took home the Eustace E. Frederick Milestones of Safety Award and Phoenix Coal-Mac's Holden 22 Surface Mine that took home the Barton B. Lay Award.

"Our member companies strive each day to provide their employees with the safest possibly workplace," said Chris Hamilton, senior vice president of the West Virginia Coal Association. "This past year, 2015, was one of our safest on record and these companies have set a standard with their focus on reducing workplace injuries and getting everyone home at the end of their shifts. We applaud their hard work and dedication to this, our most important responsibility."

The Mountaineer Guardian Awards are presented each year to mining companies that have demonstrated a commitment to safety standards. Inspectors for the West Virginia Office of Mine Health Safety and Training nominate the companies based on numerous criteria.

Full List of Mountaineer Guardian Award Winners:

Eustace E. Frederick Milestones of Safety Awards

ACI Tygart Valley, Leer Complex
Taylor County

Bart B. Lay, Jr. Milestone of Safety Award

Phoenix Coal-Mac, Holden #22 Surface Mine, Logan County

Independent Contractor

Carter Machinery, Mercer County/Statewide
Walker Machinery, Kanawha County/Statewide

Underground

| Company | Mine | County |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Tunnel Ridge, LLC | Sentinel Mine | Ohio |
| Brooks Run Mining Company | Horsecreek #1 | McDowell |
| Greenbrier Minerals | Lower War Eagle | Wyoming |
| Spartan Mining Company | Lower War Eagle | McDowell |
| Aracoma Coal Company, Inc. | Cedar Grove 2 | Logan |
| Aracoma Coal Company, Inc. | Hernshaw Mine | Logan |
| Mingo Logan Coal Company | Mountaineer II | Logan |
| ICG Beckley, LLC | Beckley Pocahontas | Raleigh |
| Marfork Coal | Allen Powellton | Raleigh |
| Mammoth Coal | Slabcamp | Kanawha |

Surface

| Company | Mine | County |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| L.P. Minerals, LLC | Ralph Six | Marion |
| Extra Energy, Inc. | Easter Ridge Surface | McDowell |
| Extra Energy, Inc. | Dry Branch Surface | McDowell |
| Onyx Energy, LLC | Weyanoke Surface | Mercer |
| Consol of Kentucky | Twin Branch Surface | Mingo |
| Greenbrier Minerals | Toney Fork | Logan |
| Brooks Run Mining Co. | Seven Pines | Webster |
| Princess Polyanna | No. 1 Surface Mine | Greenbrier |
| Marfork Coal | Workman | Raleigh |
| Pritchard Coal | Dry Branch No. 1 | Kanawha |

Preparation Plant

| Company | Mine | County |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Eastern Coal | Federal No. 2 | Marion |
| Coresco, LLC | Prep Plant | Monongalia |
| Carter Roag Coal Co. | Star Bridge Plant | Randolph |
| Kepler Processing | Kepler # 1 | Wyoming |
| Litwar Processing Co. LLC | Litwar Processing | McDowell |
| Pinnacle Mining Co. LLC | Pinnacle Pre Plant | McDowell |
| Greenbrier Minerals | Elk Lick Loadout | Greenbrier |
| Mingo Logan Coal Company | Cardinal Prep Plant | Logan |
| Phoenix Coal-Mac | Ragland Loadout | Mingo/Logan |
| Kanawha River Terminals | Ceredo Dock | Cabell/Wayne |
| Maple Coal Company | Maple Prep Plant | Fayette |
| Pocahontas Coal Company | Affinity Prep Plant | Fayette |
| Power Mountain | Power Mountain Processing | Nicholas |

Quarries

| Company | Mine | County |
|------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Pounding Mill | Mercer Crushed Stone | Mercer |
| J.F. Allen and Company | Aggregates Quarry | Randolph |

Wolf Run Mining Complex Claims Greenlands Award for Outstanding Reclamation

Wolf Run Mining's Wolf Run Complex in Barbour County took home this year's Greenlands Award for environmental stewardship.

Meanwhile, Coal-Mac's Phoenix No. 1 Surface Mine in Logan and Mingo counties took home the Forestry Reclamation Award for its work in restoring former surface mine land for forestry uses and company's Phoenix No. 4 Surface Mine in Logan and Mingo counties claimed the Good Neighbor Award for work with their local communities. Eleven other companies were also recognized for their commitment to the environment at the Symposium, one of the nation's top coal industry events.

"We would like to congratulate all the companies who were recognized for their hard work and responsible reclamation," said Bill Raney, president of the West Virginia Coal Association. "Each of these companies goes far beyond what is required to restore former mine lands. We always say coal miners are the real environmentalists. They don't just talk about doing something ... they go out and do it. They do it because this is their home. We are proud to represent these companies and the thou-

The following companies also took home individual awards for environmental restoration at the Symposium:

2015 Reclamation Awards

Greenlands Award

Wolf Run Mining Company, Wolf Run Complex
Barbour County

Good Neighbor Award

Coal-Mac, Inc., Phoenix No. 4 Surface Mine
Logan and Mingo Counties

Forestry Reclamation Award

Coal-Mac, Inc., Phoenix No. 1 Surface Mine
Logan and Mingo Counties

Abandoned Mine Lands Award

North

Big East, LLC,
White Hall/Mullins Mine Fire
Marion County

Green Mountain Company
Norton Highwall No. 1
Randolph County

South

Pineville Paving & Excavating Company
Route 49 / Goolsby Landslide Project
Mingo County

Collins Building & Contracting, Inc.
Winona Complex
Fayette County

Valley Fill Exemplary Construction Award

CONSOL of Kentucky
Twin Branch Surface Mine
Mingo County

Surface Mine North Award

L.P. Minerals
Wilson Surface Mine
Marion County

Reclamation North Award

Vindex Energy Corporation
Vindex Preparation Plant
Grant County

Surface Mine South Awards

Coal-Mac, Inc.

Loggy Branch Surface Mine

Logan and Mingo Counties

Mingo-Logan Coal Company

Briar Branch-Left Fork Surface Mine

Logan County

Exemplary Reclamation Award -- Coal Refuse

Upshur Property, Inc.

Ten Mine Course Refuse Area

Upshur County

Exemplary Water Quality Enhancement & Protection Award

Upshur Property, Inc.

Upshur Complex

Upshur County