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Cummings Electrical Receives 2012 IEC/CNA Safety Award

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – The Independent Electrical Contractors, Inc. (IEC) is pleased to announce that Cummings Electrical, Inc. in Fort Worth, Texas, received the 2012 IEC/CNA Safety Award (Category 5) during the 55th Annual IEC National Convention and Electric Expo in Fort Worth, Texas.

Cummings Electrical, one of the largest providers of Division 16000/26 services in the Dallas/Fort Worth market, was recognized for its outstanding safety efforts. Safety efforts focus on training and new employees receive an orientation covering over 30 safety and health topics. In addition, weekly safety training meetings are held on every jobsite.

“I would like to congratulate Cummings Electrical for receiving this prestigious safety award,” said Thayer Long, IEC National Executive Vice President/CEO. “Their hard work and dedication to safety is emphasized and practiced at every level of the organization which has resulted in a safe and healthy workplace for all employees.”

Supervisors receive training and coaching through an in-house training program so they can instruct fellow employees on trade specific safety topics. The company also operates a Project Risk Observation Plan which evaluates a project and assigns a risk score before it begins, which allows management to assign high risk jobs more safety support. In addition, management has demonstrated their commitment to safety through continuous funding of new Safety Orientation videos; investing in new training for emerging markets; and requiring highly effective safety meetings and training classes.

The IEC/CNA Safety Award is given to electrical and systems contractors who place safety as a high priority in their organization and have the results to prove it. The award is given in five categories: Category 1 – up to 15 employees; Category 2 – 16 to 50 employees; Category 3 – 51 to 125 employees; Category 4 – 126 to 300 employees; and Category 5 – more than 300 employees.

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Established in 1957, IEC is a trade association representing nearly 3,000 members with 60 chapters nationwide. Headquartered in Alexandria, Va., IEC is the nation's premier trade association representing America's independent electrical and systems contractors. IEC National aggressively works with the industry to establish a competitive environment for the merit shop – a philosophy that promotes the concept of free enterprise, open competition and economic opportunity for all.