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## **MIKEN SPECIALTIES EARNS NATIONAL SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARD FROM ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS**

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) today announced that Miken Specialties, LTD., Clute, Texas, maintained a safety record that has earned the company recognition in the Specialty Contractor category of ABC’s National Safety Excellence Awards. Miken Specialties’ representatives received the award February 22 during the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Excellence in Construction awards celebration at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in Orlando, Fla.

“ABC is proud to congratulate Miken Specialties for its success in maintaining the highest level of construction workplace safety in 2011,” said Michael D. Bellaman, ABC president and CEO. “Creating a safe environment for workers is an ongoing process that requires vigilance and dedication. It is a pleasure to honor this company’s achievement with our National Safety Excellence Award.”

The 2011 National Safety Excellence Award winners were selected from ABC member firms that achieved Platinum status in ABC’s Safety Training and Evaluation Process (STEP) program. During the selection process, national safety winners were judged on self-evaluation scores, lost workday case rates, total recordable rates, and interviews conducted by members of ABC’s National Environment, Health & Safety Committee.

The National Safety Excellence Awards are presented in three major North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code categories: NAICS 236 – Construction of Buildings; NAICS 237 – Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction; and NAICS 238 – Specialty Trade Contractors.

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