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TRANSCAER HONORS VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCY RESPONDERS

WASHINGTON (April 26, 2018) – Moving the needle on safety requires a strong team effort and the unwavering support of many safety professionals. That is why TRANSCAER® (Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response) is pleased to recognize the terrific work and dedication of its volunteers by announcing this year’s award recipients in appreciation for their outstanding commitment to helping emergency responders across the country.

“Fostering a strong partnership between devoted volunteers is at the heart of what we do at TRANSCAER, and it is only by sustaining this strong partnership that we are able to fulfill our mission to support emergency responders and communities across the country,” said Keith Silverman, chairman of the National TRANSCAER Task Group and vice president global operations, quality and EHS at Ashland. “We are extremely grateful to the individuals, companies and organizations who have gone above and beyond to provide vital hazmat training to close to 45,000 emergency responders last year at hundreds of events across North America.”

TRANSCAER conducts training events and provides resource materials for emergency responders throughout the year to help communities prepare for transportation incidents involving crude oil, ethanol, anhydrous ammonia, chlorine and a variety of hazardous materials. To make all of this happen, the program relies on the help of volunteers from chemical producers, transportation carriers, distribution, industry associations, emergency response personnel and industries, responders and government agencies.

The TRANSCAER Awards Program recognizes individuals, companies and organizations that go the extra mile to advance safety through their support of TRANSCAER. Award recipients are selected for their exceptional effort and achievements in helping to prepare emergency responders and the communities where they serve.

The 2017 National Awards Recognition Program include: the Distinguished Service Award, TRANSCAER’s highest level of recognition; the Chairman’s Award, a special, discretionary award given by the National TRANSCAER Task Group Chairman; the National and Regional Achievement Awards, the TORCH Award, an award for longtime dedicated volunteers who have retired; and the Individual Achievement and Certificate of Appreciation Awards.

This year there were 51 Individual Achievement Awards and 131 Certificates of Appreciation Awards with the top honors going to the following recipients:

- Distinguished Service Award
 - Rollie Shook, The Dow Chemical Company
- Chairman's Award
 - Frank Reiner, The Chlorine Institute
- National Achievement
 - BNSF Railway
 - Canadian National Railway
 - CP
 - CSX Transportation
 - DANA Transport Inc.
 - Norfolk Southern Corporation
 - Renewable Fuels Association
 - Shell
 - Tanner Industries, Inc.
 - The Chlorine Institute
 - The Dow Chemical Company
 - Union Pacific Railroad
- Regional Achievement
 - Glen Rudner/Norfolk Southern
 - Kansas City Southern Railway/Kansas City Southern Mexico

- Torch Award
 - Michael Bethge, CSX Transportation
 - Frank Lerch, Union Pacific Railroad
 - Barry Lindley DuPont/ Chemours
 - Thomas Keefer DuPont/ Chemours
 - Bill Burke DuPont/Chemours
 - Charlie Baldwin DuPont/Chemours
 - Ed Kozey DuPont/Chemours
 - Mike Lacy DuPont/Chemours
 - John Smoot DuPont/Chemours
 - Suzanne Lackey, DuPont/Chemours
 - Mike Stephenson, The Dow Chemical Company/Benjamin Moore & Co.

The full list of current and previous award recipients is available by visiting the TRANSCAER website at <https://www.transcaer.com/awards/past-award-recipients>.

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About TRANSCAER

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TRANSCAER (Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response) is a voluntary national outreach effort that focuses on assisting communities prepare for and respond to possible hazardous material transportation incidents. TRANSCAER is sponsored by the American Chemistry Council, American Petroleum Institute, the Association of American Railroads, CHEMTREC®, The Chlorine Institute, The Fertilizer Institute, the Renewable Fuels Association, Industrial Steel Drum Institute, and the Center for Liquefied Natural Gas. Transportation partners include the National Volunteer Fire Council, U.S. Department of Energy, Environmental Management Office of Transportation, U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, and U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration. For more information on TRANSCAER, please visit www.TRANSCAER.com.

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