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**STI/SPFA Honors Member Companies with 2013 Tank of the Year
and Steel Fabricated Product of the Year Awards in Several Categories**

LAKE ZURICH, IL, March 26, 2014 – At its recent annual meeting, STI/SPFA recognized member companies in specific industry categories with its Steel Tank and Fabricated Product of the Year awards for 2013.

There were 40 entries from STI/SPFA members for the 2013 Product Awards. Members then assess each entry by anonymous ballot, based on four criteria:

- Promotional value: Promotes the value of steel fabrication
- Uniqueness of product/project: Shows originality and versatility
- Design and engineering: Excels in technical aspects
- Aesthetics: Has visual appeal

Photos and descriptions of the 2013 award-winning entries are [posted here](#).

Field Erected Tank of the Year, seven awards: Field erected tanks are used to store potable water, petroleum and chemical products, and similar uses. New for 2013, STI/SPFA added categories for field erected tanks built to API 620 and ASME Pressure Vessel standards.

- Elevated tank: CBI Services, Inc., New Castle DE
- Reservoir tank: Paso Robles Tank, Paso Robles CA
- Special storage tank: Paso Robles Tank, Paso Robles CA
- Standpipe: Fisher Tank Company, Chester PA
- API 620 low pressure liquid storage tank: Fisher Tank Company, Chester PA
- API 650 atmospheric oil storage tank: CBI Services, Inc., Everett WA
- ASME pressure vessel storage: CB&I, Inc., Plainfield IL

Fabricated Product of the Year, three awards: Shop fabricated tanks are manufactured for many uses, including high pressure, petroleum, chemical, agricultural, and similar liquid storage.

- Pressure vessel: Eaton Metal Products, Denver CO
- Shop fabricated tank: Hamilton Tanks, LLC, Columbus OH

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- Special fabrication: Paso Robles Tank, Paso Robles CA

Steel Water Pipe and Pipeline Project, three awards: Steel water pipe and pipelines are used in potable water systems throughout the nation. A new award was added this year to recognize the vital role member supply and service companies play in steel water pipe projects.

- Steel pipe fabrication: MidAmerica Pipe Fabricating & Supply, Scammon KS
- Steel pipeline project: Ameron International, Rancho Cucamonga CA
- Pipe supply/service project: National Welding Corp., Midvale UT

Affiliate Product of the Year: Affiliate members of STI/SPFA are providers of supplies and services to the steel fabrication industry.

- Affiliate new product of the year: The Sherwin-Williams Co., Indianapolis IN

STI/SPFA also honored its member companies with **Safety Awards**. The Safety Award of Excellence, which recognizes companies that have experienced a “Zero (0.0) OSHA Total Recordable Incident Rate” for 12 consecutive months, was given to 19 companies for 2013.

The Safety Award of Achievement, which acknowledges companies with a 10 percent minimum reduction in the OSHA Total Recordable Incidents Rate with no fatalities in a calendar year, was awarded to 26 companies for 2013. For a complete list of recipients, [click here](#).

The Steel Tank Institute licenses several tank technologies. The top-producing STI-labeled tank manufacturer in 2013 was Watco Tanks, Floresville TX.

STI/SPFA is an association whose member companies fabricate steel tanks, pipe and pressure vessels for use in the petroleum, food, water and chemical processing industries. For more information, [visit our website](#).

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