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PLASTICS PIPE INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES 2011 RECOGNITION AWARD WINNERS

IRVING, TX – May 24, 2011 - The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) announced, during its annual membership meeting in early May, winners who were awarded for significant achievements and exceptional service involving the use of polyethylene (PE) pipe. The non-profit industry group honored five member companies whose projects were voted most-remarkable, and four individual people whose dedication and actions advanced the goals of the association while providing broad benefit for the industry. PPI also bestowed an Honorary Lifetime Membership to James Goddard recognizing more than 30 years of contributions and industry innovation. Goddard recently retired from Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. (ADS) as the company's Chief Engineer.

Presented during the PPI annual meeting at Hilton Head, S.C., the other award winners were:

PPI Fuel Gas Division Projects of the Year

Piedmont Natural Gas - New Community 8-inch Supply Installation, Wilmington, N. C. PPI Member Company: Performance Pipe

PPI Building and Construction Division Project of the Year

Solaris Mixed Use Facility PEX Project, Vail, Colorado PPI Member Company: Rehau

PPI Municipal & Industrial Division Project of the Year

Marhi Mini Hydel Power Project, India

PPI Member Company: Jain Irrigation Systems Limited

PPI Conduit Division Project of the Year

Industry Outreach Educational Program - Utility Relocation Webinar PPI Member Companies: Dow Chemical, Endot Industries, Blue Diamond Industries, and LyondellBasell Industries

PPI CPPA Division Project of the Year

Franklin Reservoir Underdrain Project, Charlotte, N. C. PPI Member Company: Lane Enterprises, Inc.

The PPI members who were also recognized include the following individuals:

- Gary Runyan, Building and Construction Division, Zurn/PEX, Inc.
- Jennifer Marin, Chair, Conduit Division, Endot Industries
- Patrick Collings, Chair, CPPA Division, Lane Enterprises, Inc.
- Lee Mizell, Chair, Fuel Gas Division Chair, ISCO Industries
- Ken Oliphant, Municipal and Industrial Division, Jana Laboratories

"PPI's membership is involved in many highly-sophisticated applications and exciting projects involving various pipe applications that supply critical resources globally while protecting communities and conserving natural resources," stated Tony Radoszewski, executive director of the PPI. "This is our second year awarding outstanding programs and people and there were an abundance of submissions. I wish we could have acknowledged each and every one."

For more information, visit the Plastics Pipe Institute website: www.plasticpipe.org.

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PPI's Executive Director, Tony Radoszewski (right) presents the Municipal & Industrial Division Project of the Year Award to Narinder Gupta, chief operating officer, Jain Irrigation Inc. for its river runoff diversion pipeline project at the Marhi Mini Hydel Power Plant in India.



The PPI Honorary Lifetime Membership Award presented to James Goddard reflects the longtime PPI participant's passion for sailing.

About PPI:

The Plastics Pipe Institute Inc. (PPI) is the major trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry and is dedicated to promoting plastics as the material of choice for pipe applications. PPI is the premier technical, engineering and industry knowledge resource publishing data for use in development and design of plastic pipe systems. Additionally, PPI collaborates with industry organizations that set standards for manufacturing practices and installation methods.