



To: Mine Managers

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**RE: 55<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MINE SAFETY AWARD WINNERS**

I am pleased to announce the winners for the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Mine Safety Awards:

**CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**

Plateau Construction Ltd. – Harper Ranch Quarry  
CertainTeed Gypsum Canada Inc. – Windermere  
Jack Cewe Ltd – Treat Creek  
Mainland Sand and Gravel ULC – Jamieson Quarry and Maple Ridge Sand and Gravel  
Imperial Limestone Co. Ltd. – Imperial Limestone Co. Ltd.  
Copcan Civil Ltd. – Northwest Bay Quarry  
Allard Contractors Ltd. – Mission Pit  
Peace River Coal Inc. – Trend-Roman Mine  
Abbotsford Gravel Sales Ltd. – Abbotsford Gravel

**STEWART / O'BRIAN AWARD**

Mainland Sand and Gravel ULC – Cox Station  
LafargeHolcim – Central Aggregates  
Lafarge Canada Inc – Pitt River Quarries  
532470 BC Ltd. – Ward Pit  
LafargeHolcim – Earle Creek  
Orca Sand & Gravel – Orca Sand & Gravel  
Fraser Pacific Enterprises Inc. – Sumas Shale Quarry

**EDWARD PRIOR AWARD**

Copper Mountain Mine Ltd. – Copper Mountain Mine

**JOHN ASH AWARD**

Gibraltar Mines Inc. – Gibraltar Mine  
Teck Coal Ltd. – Greenhills

**SMALL UNDERGROUND MINES AWARD**

JDS Silver – Silvertip

**LARGE UNDERGROUND MINES AWARD**

New Gold Inc. – New Afton Mine

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This year's award celebration is exclusively honoring the recipients of Mine Safety Awards. The awards banquet will be held in **Victoria** at the **Marriott Inner Harbour Hotel, 728 Humboldt Street** on **Monday, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017** with doors opening at 6:00 p.m.

For the award ceremonies please send a digital photo of your mine/pit/quarry and members of your OHS committee and the following information to [mine.safety@gov.bc.ca](mailto:mine.safety@gov.bc.ca) by **February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**:

- First year of operation
- Number of employees
- Annual tonnage production
- Location of mine

Operations receiving a safety award are entitled to **three** complimentary banquet tickets for the co-chairs of their OHSC and the mine manager. Please confirm first and last names, and job titles of all those attending by **February 15<sup>th</sup>**. Additional tickets may be purchased prior to **February 15<sup>th</sup>** for \$70 each. Payment can be made in the form of a cheque, and should be made out to the **Minister of Finance**. Cheques may be mailed to:

c/o Naomi Palulis  
Ministry of Energy and Mines  
PO Box 9395 STN PROV GOV  
Victoria, BC V8W 9N3

Banquet registration or any enquiries may be sent to [mine.safety@gov.bc.ca](mailto:mine.safety@gov.bc.ca)

A limited number of hotel rooms have been set aside at the Marriott Inner Harbour Hotel. A rate of \$149 single/double, plus tax, has been negotiated for awards banquet attendees. **Please note these rooms are only available until Feb 15<sup>th</sup>**. Please book directly with the hotel using the information below:

Toll Free Reservations: 1-888-236-2427 – ask for the MINE SAFETY AWARDS group rate

Online Reservations: [www.victoriamarriott.com](http://www.victoriamarriott.com) – enter group code: MSAMSAA

Booking Link: [Book your group for Mine Safety Awards](#)

Congratulations to our 2016 winners, and we look forward to celebrating with you at the awards banquet in Victoria.

Sincerely,



Al Hoffman, P.Eng.  
Chief Inspector of Mines

Ec: MEM Victoria, Smithers, Cranbrook, Kamloops, Prince George  
Mining Association of British Columbia  
The British Columbia Stone, Sand & Gravel Association