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Hayden Power Group Named Accredited Quality Contractor by ABC, Achieving Elite Status in Safety, Education and Culture

Message from the President and Owner, George Hayden

"We here at Hayden Power Group are honored and excited to accept this prestigious award. Our successes would not be without our committed and experienced workforce. Together, we illuminate the industry as employer and electrical contractor of choice"

Hazleton, Pennsylvania- November 19th, 2021—Hayden Power Group of Hazleton, PA today announced that it has again been named an Accredited Quality Contractor by Associated Builders and Contractors, the 4th year it has earned the prestigious credential for its commitment to corporate responsibility. Only 229 of the nation's elite merit shop construction contractors earned the credential in 2020.

"Our teams are continuously growing and developing new standardized methods and ideas to help our clients and customers in this ever-changing environment. Our teams adapt to change and new ideas on an ongoing basis to help our clients build the future."

Launched in 1993, ABC's AQC program provides recognition to world-class construction firms that have documented their commitment in five areas:

- Quality
- Safety performance
- Talent management
- Craft and management education
- Community relations, inclusion, diversity, and equity

"Accredited Quality Contractors are the types of companies I want to work for and do business with because of the priority placed on world-class safety, culture, workforce development, innovation, diversity and quality," said 2021 ABC National Chair of the Board of Directors Steve Klessig, vice president of architecture and engineering, Keller Inc., Kaukauna, Wisconsin. "Congratulations to the leadership and employees of Hayden Power Group for your daily commitment to corporate and community service; you exemplify the merit shop philosophy and what's best about ABC membership."

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In earning the AQC credential, each member company commits to world-class safety by achieving Gold, Platinum or Diamond level in <u>ABC's STEP Safety Management System</u>. Founded more than three decades ago, STEP dramatically improves safety performance among construction industry participants, with top performers achieving incident rates more than eight times safer than the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics industry average.

AQC members also take the following pledge:

As an Accredited Quality Contractor, our company is committed to providing our clients with the highest quality construction services, and we care deeply about our employees and the communities in which we build. We are proud to be part of the construction industry and are dedicated to the principles of free enterprise. We commit ourselves to serve our communities and provide our employees with the skills they need to work safely and productively in order to meet the needs of our clients.

AQC is recognized by <u>Construction Users Roundtable</u>, an organization founded by leading construction project owners.

About ABC: Associated Builders and Contractors is a national construction industry trade association established in 1950 that represents more than 21,000 members. Founded on the merit shop philosophy, ABC and its 69 chapters help members develop people, win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably for the betterment of the communities in which ABC and its members work. Visit us at abc.org.

Sincerely,

George F. Hayden

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Hayden Power Group - a family-owned electrical contractor – energizing our customers with safely provided state-of-the-art solutions for all types of electrical needs and lighting the path for our highly valued professional teams with long term career opportunities. **Power is our life!**

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