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TRC Announces 2015 Big Man On Planet Competition

Thermostat Recycling Corporation announces the fourth annual competition among HARDI wholesaler members to recycle the most mercury thermostats

Alexandria, Va. (April 16, 2015) — Thermostat Recycling Corporation (TRC) has announced the fourth annual Big Man On Planet (BMOP) competition begins May 1st, in partnership with Heating Air-conditioning and Refrigeration Distributors International (HARDI). BMOP will run through October 31st and all HARDI wholesaler members are eligible to participate.

BMOP encourages HARDI members to promote TRC's mercury thermostat collection program at their branches. Four winning wholesalers will be determined by company size. Additionally, a \$500 store incentive will be awarded to the top branch locations. Winners will be recognized at HARDI's annual conference, December 5th – 8th in Orlando, FL.

"Last year's BMOP competition increased distributor participation by 75%, helping TRC divert more than 250lbs of mercury from solid waste," said Mark Tibbetts, TRC's Executive Director.

"HARDI is proud of its members for their participation in the annual Big Man on the Planet program and we look forward to another strong year," said HARDI CEO Talbot Gee. "Our continued success eliminating harmful mercury from the waste stream demonstrates the commitment HARDI members have to their communities. We value our partnership with TRC and continue to support their efforts."

Corken Steel Products, Crescent Parts & Equipment, and Johnstone Supply were the winners in 2014. Johnstone Supply also won in 2013, and Johnson Supply was the inaugural winner in 2012.

HARDI distributors may sign up to compete in BMOP at www.thermostat-recycle.org/BMOP. For distributors not currently participating in TRC's collection program, more information is available at www.thermostat-recycle.org, or by calling 888-266-0550.

About Thermostat Recycling Corporation

The Thermostat Recycling Corporation, founded in 1998, is a non-profit stewardship organization financially supported by 30 manufacturers who historically branded and sold mercury thermostats in the United States. TRC maintains a network of more than 3,600 collection sites nationwide and has recovered more than 1.9 million thermostats since its inception. TRC assumes all costs to transport and properly dispose of mercury switch thermostats recovered from service. Learn more about TRC by finding us on [Facebook](#), or following us on [Twitter](#).

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