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TRC Announces 2015 Big Man On Planet Competition Winners

Johnstone Supply, US Air Conditioning Distributors, Johnson Supply, and Auer Steel take top awards for mercury thermostat collection efforts.

Alexandria, Va. (December 6, 2015) — Thermostat Recycling Corporation (TRC) announced that Johnstone Supply, US Air Conditioning Distributors, Johnson Supply, and Auer Steel have been named the 2015 Big Man On Planet (BMOP) winners. The annual competition among Heating Air-conditioning and Refrigeration Distributors International (HARDI) members took place May 1st – October 31st and recovered 432 pounds of mercury from collected thermostats, a 71% increase from 2014.

Twenty five HARDI member distributors with more than 1,000 locations nationwide competed in BMOP this year. The competition created four tiers based on company size and awarded a trophy to the distributor within each tier who recovered the most pounds of mercury. Additionally, a monetary incentive was awarded to the branch location within each tier that recovered the most during the competition.

Tier four: Distributors with 101+ locations

- Johnstone Supply won tier four by recovering 205lbs of mercury. Their Salem, OR branch received the \$500 incentive for being the location that recycled the most within their tier.

Tier three: Distributors with 41—100 locations

- US Air Conditioning Distributors won tier three by recovering 33.47lbs of mercury. Their City of Industry, CA branch received the \$1,000 incentive for being the location that recycled the most in the overall competition.

Tier two: Distributors with 11 – 40 locations

- Johnson Supply won tier two by recovering 18.72lbs of mercury. York International's Harrisburg, PA branch received the \$500 incentive for being the location that recycled the most within their tier.

Tier one: Distributors with 1 – 10 locations

- Auer Steel and Heating Supply won tier one by recovering 6.77lbs of mercury. Corken Steel's Florence, KY branch received the \$500 incentive for being the location that recycled the most within their tier.

Last year's winners included Corken Steel, Crescent Parts & Equipment, and Johnstone Supply. Johnstone Supply also won the 2013 BMOP award, and Johnson Supply won in 2012.

About Thermostat Recycling Corporation

The Thermostat Recycling Corporation, founded in 1998, is an industry-funded non-profit corporation 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 1.8 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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