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TRC Names US Air Conditioning Distributors a 2015 Big Man On Planet Competition Winner

US Air Conditioning Distributors takes top award for mercury thermostat collection efforts in competition among HARDI members

Alexandria, Va. (January 28, 2016) — Thermostat Recycling Corporation (TRC) announced that US Air Conditioning Distributors (USACD) have been named one of four 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, 2015.

Twenty five HARDI member distributors with more than 1,000 locations nationwide competed in BMOP. 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. USACD won their tier by recovering 33.47lbs of mercury.

Additionally, a monetary incentive was awarded to the branch location within each tier that recovered the most during the competition. USACD’s City of Industry, CA branch received the $1,000 incentive for being the location that recycled the most in the overall competition.

“US Air Conditioning is pleased to win the 2015 Big Man on the Planet award from the Thermostat Recycling Corporation. USACD is dedicated to protecting and improving the environment by recycling mercury thermostats at all our parts
branches and taking a leading role as an environmental advocate in the HVAC community”, said John Scarsi, Vice President and CFO.

**About US Air Conditioning Distributors**
US Air Conditioning Distributors is the world’s largest privately owned HVAC distributor headquartered in the City of Industry, California. The main headquarters produces its own electricity for the 250,000 square foot location and was one of the largest solar cell arrays in the U.S (850 KW) when installed. USACD has its own natural gas fueling station and purchased over 17 clean-burning natural gas trucks which produce only 5% of the emissions of a diesel truck of the same size. Annually USACD recycles over 12,000lbs of corrugated cardboard, 50,000lbs of R-22 chlorine based refrigerant and 73,200lbs of scrap metal from old HVAC units.

**About Thermostat Recycling Corporation**
The Thermostat Recycling Corporation, founded in 1998, is an industry-funded non-profit corporation supported by 29 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 2.1 million thermostats, 10 tons of mercury, 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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