2013 NATIONAL TRANSCAER® AWARD RECIPIENTS RECOGNIZED FOR IMPROVING SAFETY OF TRANSPORTING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

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WASHINGTON (April 24, 2014) – TRANSCAER® (Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response), a voluntary national outreach effort that focuses on assisting communities to prepare for and respond to a possible hazardous materials transportation incident, today announced the recipients of its 2013 National Awards Recognition Program.

The TRANSCAER® Awards Program recognizes the achievements of individuals, companies and organizations that exceed in advocating, demonstrating and implementing at the national and regional levels the principles of TRANSCAER®, including transportation safety, community assistance and emergency response planning and aid.

This year’s TRANSCAER® awards included:

- National and Regional Achievement Awards;
- the Chairman’s Award, a special, discretionary award given by the National TRANSCAER® Task Group Chairman;
- the Torch Award, recognizing those individuals whose legacy leaves a lasting impact on the TRANSCAER® program; and
- Individual Achievement and Certificate of Appreciation Awards.

“Heartfelt appreciation goes out to all the on-the-ground trainers and their supporting organizations that have aided in better preparing communities and our Nation’s emergency responders for possible hazardous materials events,” said National TRANSCAER® Task Group Chair Ed Chapman, of BNSF Railway. “For their collaborative planning and training efforts during 2013, the TRANSCAER® National Achievement Awards offer a modest, albeit coveted, form of recognition to the activities of all of these outstanding volunteers.”

The 2013 National TRANSCAER® Awards Recipients announced by Chapman include:

- **National Achievement:**
  - BNSF Railway
  - Canadian National CN DG Team
  - Canadian Pacific
  - Central California Traction Company
  - CSX Transportation
  - DANA Transport Inc.
- Norfolk Southern
- Renewable Fuels Association (RFA)
- Tanner Industries, Inc.
- The Chlorine Institute
- The Dow Chemical Company
- Union Pacific Railroad

**Regional Achievement:**
- Scott Etzel, Dow; and Dan Coots, TCR Industries, Inc., Dave Buccolo, Central California Traction Company representing TRANSCAER®’s California State Team

**Chairman’s Award:**
- Rollie Shook, The Dow Chemical Company

**Torch Award:**
- Ed Chapman, BNSF Railway
- Brock Lowman, BNSF Railway

Members of the National TRANSCAER® Task Group Executive Committee also presented 121 Individual Achievement and Certificate of Appreciation Awards to those individuals nationwide who worked to advance the principles of TRANSCAER®.

The National awards will be presented to recipients during multiple upcoming industry conferences this spring, including the American Chemistry Council’s annual Responsible Care® Conference and Expo in Miami and the Association of American Railroads/Bureau of Explosives’ annual Bureau of Explosives Hazmat Seminar in Addison, TX.

The full list of current and previous award recipients is available by visiting the TRANSCAER® Web site at [www.transcaer.com](http://www.transcaer.com)

**About TRANSCAER®**

TRANSCAER® (Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response) is a voluntary national outreach effort that focuses on assisting communities prepare for and respond to possible hazardous material transportation incidents. TRANSCAER® members include volunteer representatives from the chemical manufacturing, transportation, distribution, and emergency response industries, as well as the government.

TRANSCAER® is sponsored by the American Chemistry Council, the Association of American Railroads, CHEMTREC®, The Chlorine Institute, The Fertilizer Institute, the Renewable Fuels Association and the American Petroleum Institute. For more information on TRANSCAER®, visit [www.TRANSCAER.com](http://www.TRANSCAER.com).