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## Conrad Shipyard Receives National Shipbuilders Annual 2022 "Excellence in Safety" and "Improvement in Safety" Awards

**WASHINGTON –** The **Shipbuilders Council of America (SCA)** today announced Conrad Shipyard received both SCA's 2022 "Excellence in Safety" and "Improvement in Safety" awards. SCA, the national association representing the U.S. shipyard industry, honors shipbuilding and repair facilities with annual safety awards for enhancement of operations and promotion of safety and accident prevention.

Through their proactive approaches and dedication to improved safety of their employees, Conrad Industries is one of 15 shipyards to receive awards for their continued advancement of employee safety in the shipyard industry.

"Shipyards are complex work environments, and therefore the safety of our employees, whom we believe are our No.1 asset, is of the utmost importance," **said Matthew Paxton, President of SCA**. "Conrad Shipyard's admirable safety performance in 2021 and earning two awards reflects both superior leadership in the shipyard and a strong commitment to safety. We're proud to recognize Conrad Industries and the hardworking men and women who help in upholding the shipyard industry's reputation as one of the safest in our country's industrial base year after year."

"Safety has always been a Core Value at Conrad, and we make a steadfast commitment every day to ourselves, employees, and our customers. We are honored for the award recognition. I am very proud of our employees for their dedication," **said Johnny Conrad, Chairman and CEO of Conrad Shipyard.** 

The shipbuilding industry continues to show a decline in recorded injuries and safety issues, and such rates have been on the decline over the past decade. With safety of employees always at the focus, the shipbuilding industry has been able to naturally pivot to tackle the challenges 2022 has brought about while continuing operations.

SCA member companies are eligible for a Safety Award if they submit the SCA Injury & Illness survey for all four quarters, have zero fatalities throughout the year, and either have a total recordable incident rate (TRIR) below the SCA average, or if they reduce their year-on-year TRIR by 10% or more.

## About SCA

Shipbuilders Council of America (SCA) members constitute the shipyard industrial base that builds, repairs, maintains and modernizes U.S. Navy ships and craft, U.S. Coast Guard vessels of all sizes, as well as vessels for other U.S. government agencies. In addition, SCA members build, repair and service America's fleet of commercial vessels. The Council represents 40 companies that own and operate over 80 shipyards, with facilities on all three U.S. coasts, the Great Lakes, the inland waterways system, Alaska and Hawaii. SCA also represents 87 partner members that provide goods and services to the shipyard industry. You can learn more by visiting <u>www.shipbuilders.org</u>.

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