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Conrad Shipyard Receives Trifecta of 2026 National Shipyard Safety Awards

“Excellence in Safety,” “Improvement in Safety,” and “Significance in Safety Achievement” awards are given annually to shipyards that advance safety and accident prevention

WASHINGTON – The [Shipbuilders Council of America \(SCA\)](#), the national association representing the U.S. shipbuilding, maintenance, and repair industry, today announced that Conrad Shipyard received all three of SCA’s safety awards: “Excellence in Safety,” “Improvement in Safety,” and “Significance in Safety Achievement” for the 2025 calendar year. The annual awards recognize shipyards for their dedication to safety, operational excellence, and accident prevention.

Through proactive safety practices and a sustained commitment to employee health and well-being, Conrad Shipyard is one of 21 U.S. shipyards and repair facilities recognized for continued progress in workplace safety across the country. Conrad Shipyard was honored for achieving zero fatalities, maintaining a total recordable incident rate (TRIR) below 1.0 and below the SCA average, and reducing its TRIR by 10% or more from the previous year.

“Earning all three of SCA’s safety awards in a single year is an extraordinary accomplishment and a testament to the culture Conrad Shipyard has built around protecting its workforce,” **said Matthew Paxton, the President of the Shipbuilders Council of America.** “Safety is fundamental to the strength of the U.S. shipbuilding industrial base, and achievements like this demonstrate what is possible when that commitment is embedded at every level of an organization. We congratulate Conrad Shipyard on this well-deserved recognition and for setting

a powerful example for other industries and shipyards across the world.”

“These accolades from SCA demonstrate that safety is at the forefront of everything we do at Conrad Shipyard,” said Johnny Conrad, the Executive Chairman of Conrad Shipyard. “Our culture of safety and continuous improvement will continue to guide our operations to prevent incidents and protect our people.”

The shipbuilding industry continues to see a decline in recordable injuries every year, reflecting a consistent downward trend over the past decade. This continued focus on safety has enabled U.S. shipyards to adapt to evolving challenges while maintaining uninterrupted operations.

SCA member companies are eligible for a Safety Award by submitting the SCA Injury & Illness Survey for all four quarters, reporting zero fatalities within the year, and meeting one of the following criteria: maintaining a total recordable incident rate (TRIR) below the SCA average, or achieving a year-over-year TRIR reduction of 10 percent 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 www.shipbuilders.org.

About Conrad Shipyard

Conrad Industries, Inc., established in 1948 and headquartered in Morgan City, Louisiana, designs, builds and overhauls barges, dredges and dredge support equipment, tugboats, ferries, drydocks, liftboats, offshore supply vessels and other steel products for both the commercial and government markets. The company provides both repair and new construction services at its five shipyards located in southern Louisiana and Texas. You can learn more by visiting <https://www.conradindustries.com>.

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