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Mobil Steel Earns Industry Recognition for Safety and Environmental Performance

HOUSTON (July 8, 2016) – Mobil Steel International, Inc. earned prestigious safety recognition from a leading Houston area contractors trade association, qualifying for a silver designation in the 2016 Safety Training Evaluation Process (STEP) program sponsored by the Associated Builders and Contractors Greater Houston Chapter. The STEP program helps ABC members develop and continuously improve safety and training efforts that ensure worker well-being and health.

The ABC STEP program uses its own 20 key components to safety and health, as well as Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards and reporting requirements to evaluate members' safety and health performance. A self evaluation of Mobil Steel's safety and health program confirmed that the local steel fabricator meets guidelines of the ABC STEP program and demonstrated Mobil Steel's commitment to safety and health through development and analysis of structured safety and loss prevention programs, and training to reinforce safety programs.

"Mobil Steel and ABC share the core value of employee safety. We are pleased to be recognized as successfully delivering on the promise of a safe and healthy workplace," said Leonard A. Bedell, President and CEO of Mobil Steel. "STEP is a proven and valuable resource that helps ABC members develop and improve safety and training efforts," Bedell added.

In 2013, ABC STEP participants performed better than Bureau of Labor Statistics national averages in safety performance metrics. According to ABC, safety performance helps participants benefit in the pre-bid and bid process for securing work and when negotiating cost-effective insurance rates.

"STEP is a world-class standard for health, safety and environment in the construction industry," said Russell Hamley, president of ABC Houston. "It embodies leadership commitment from members like Leonard Bedell, and develops a culture within our member companies where each employee is accountable for the safety and well-being of all employees."

The STEP program was established in 1989 by the ABC National's Environment, Health & Safety (EH&S) Committee and developed and written by contractors for contractors. The program provides companies tools to improve safety with a goal to send every construction industry employee home in the same or better condition than which they arrived. Safety tools include sample safety manuals, safety plans, job safety and job hazard analysis, safety presentations, safety posters and job safety videos. The resources are developed by ABC members and partners.

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About Mobil Steel International, Inc.

<u>Mobil Steel International, Inc</u>. fabricates steel used in some of the world's essential industries: chemical, manufacturing, petroleum, communication, clean fuels, and power utilities, as well as commercial construction. Mobil Steel, which has been at its South Wayside Drive facility in Houston for 47 years, has a production capacity of more than 1,000 tons per month in its 80,000 square feet of plant and office facilities under roof, providing flexibility to manage multiple projects. The 8.5-acre site is located within major freeway access to the refining and petrochemical complex in the Gulf Coast region. Mobil Steel is quality certified by the <u>American Institute of Steel Construction</u> (AISC). Mobil Steel is active in <u>Associated Builders and Contractors, Associated General Contractors, Association of Chemical Industry of Texas, and <u>American Welding Society</u>. The company is a sponsoring member of <u>Economic Alliance</u> <u>Houston Port Region</u>, and a member of the <u>Pasadena Chamber of Commerce</u> and <u>Pearland</u> <u>Chamber of Commerce</u>. Mobil Steel is a registered small business with the Small Business Administration. For information about Mobil Steel visit <u>www.mobilsteel.com</u>.</u>



