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Wagman Construction Achieves World-Class Safety Performance Through Diamond ABC STEP Program

(York, PA) Wagman Construction announced it has achieved Diamond Level in Associated Builders and Contractors' (ABC) STEP Safety Management System. Founded more than three decades ago, STEP is a proven system that provides the framework to measure, strengthen, and build industry-leading safety programs that enable top-performing ABC members to achieve incident rates nearly six times safer than the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics construction industry average.

"At Wagman, safety is one of our core values, and achieving STEP Diamond Level reaffirms our commitment to prioritizing the well-being of our employees, project partners, and the communities we serve," said Jan Wagner, President of Wagman Construction. "Every decision we make throughout the construction process is first evaluated based on its impact on overall safety. Our goal is to ensure that everyone returns home safe every day."

Wagman's award-winning safety program is built on proactive measures that identify and mitigate risks before they become hazards. The company has a team of full-time dedicated safety personnel who educate and enforce safe working conditions on every project. Before the start of any project, Wagman develops a project-specific safety plan, which includes a comprehensive approach to health and safety guidelines to protect both workers and occupants. Additionally, a Hazard Risk Assessment is conducted to identify potential safety issues, which is then incorporated into daily safety huddles, covering general site safety, tool and equipment usage, and other critical work hazards.

STEP participants measure their safety processes and policies on key components through a detailed questionnaire with the goal of implementing or enhancing health and safety programs that reduce jobsite incidents. Wagman excelled in areas such as comprehensive safety training, rigorous subcontractor screening, detailed project safety plans, and continuous improvement initiatives that emphasize hazard identification and prevention.

"Safety is a journey, and that journey is possible because of systems like STEP, which enables ABC member contractors like Wagman to actively build health and safety into their culture, creating industry-leading, holistic safety programs to protect their workers and deliver for their clients," said Greg Sizemore, ABC vice president of health, safety, environment, and workforce development. "STEP measures performance on key components, strengthens and expands best practices, and builds safety culture. Our people are our greatest asset, and I commend Wagman for consistently fulfilling those commitments to raise the bar of safety performance."

According to ABC's annual Safety Performance Report, STEP participants, regardless of company size or type of work, can reduce recordable incidents up to 83%, making the best-performing companies 576% safer than the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics industry average. Ratings range from Diamond, the highest, to Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Participant.

Wagman is a multi-faceted construction firm with major operations in heavy civil, general construction, and geotechnical construction services. Founded in 1902, Wagman is a fourth-generation, family-owned company with offices in Pennsylvania and Virginia and is headquartered in York, PA. As a full-service general contractor, Wagman Construction facilitates growth and development in senior living, healthcare, higher education, urban, institutional, and industrial markets in central Pennsylvania, Delaware & Maryland.

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