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Thornton & Grooms Receives 2010 PHCC Safety Award

(Owatonna, Minnesota) – Federated Insurance proudly announced their fourth annual *Safety First!* Contractor of the Year Award on October 30, during the closing reception and officer installation of the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling-Contractors—National Association’s convention, CONNECT 2010, held in Las Vegas. This year’s recipient was Thornton & Grooms located in Birmingham, Michigan.

Upon learning of the honor, Matt Bergstrom, president of the 39-employee company, said, “Thanks to the vigilance of our entire staff and the assistance of the Federated Insurance team, safety continues to get the consistent attention it deserves. It is a pillar of what we do, no more or less important than customer service, technical knowledge, or the ability to fix the issue at hand.”

The *Safety First!* award was created to recognize a PHCC contractor who takes advantage of Federated’s risk management assistance to effectively implement sound risk management practices. With hundreds of clients eligible each year to receive this prestigious honor, it was Thornton & Grooms’ proactive loss control methods that elevated them among their peers.

Congratulations to Thornton & Grooms, a 6+-year member of PHCC, for earning the Contractor of the Year award by practicing *Safety First!* ◇

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