

## **Press Release**

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## Skanska Spreads Safety Initiatives to Subcontractors Through Yearly Competition

**Beaverton, OR** – Skanska USA Building Inc. announced today that it awarded top honors to several of its 40 largest subcontractors in Oregon at a competition aimed at helping eliminate construction-related falls. This was the ninth year that Skanska has partnered with its "Top 40" in the name of creating new and innovative ways to positively impact on-the-job safety.

"This year's competition brought many fantastic and creative entries," said Daniel Johnson, Vice President of Operations with Skanska's Oregon office. "I am absolutely convinced that falls in our industry can be eliminated based upon all the good work our Top 40 subcontractors have done in the last nine years."

This year, Skanska distributed awards in a variety of categories:

- Best Presentation Award went to Performance Contracting Inc. (PCI), a specialty interior and exterior services company.
- Best Prototype Award went to Bratton Masonry in Vancouver, Wash., the largest brick and masonry company in North America.
- Uniqueness Award went to Alliance Industrial Group (AIG), a steel erection precast installation and equipment setting company.

The most prestigious honor, the Overall Impact Award, went to Harder Mechanical Contractors, Inc., which was presented \$4,000 for development and implementation of its design for a ladder warning system. The company will use the money to fully develop this new technology.

The goal of Skanska's Top 40 competition is to leverage the best leadership of our subcontractor organizations to eliminate all on-the-job falls. Over the past nine years, Skanska's Top 40 subcontractors have successfully worked together to create ways to eliminate falls, lacerations and flexibility-related injuries.

The awards were held at The Kingstad Center in Beaverton, Oregon on November 18, 2008. More than 100 people attended this year's event, which was the largest gathering to-date.

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Skanska is one of the world's leading project development and construction groups with expertise in construction, development of commercial and residential projects and public-private partnerships. The Group currently has 60,000 employees in selected home markets in Europe, in the U.S. and Latin America. Headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden and listed on the Stockholm Stock Exchange, Skanska's sales in 2007 totaled \$20 billion.