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**GENERAL SHEET METAL WORKS IN TOMAH RECEIVES SAFETY AWARD OF  
MERIT FROM FABRICATORS & MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION**

ROCKFORD, Ill., May 9, 2011 – General Sheet Metal Works, Inc. in Tomah, Wis., was honored with a 2011 Safety Award of Merit from the Fabricators & Manufacturers Association, International (FMA). The 2011 FMA/CNA Safety Awards, open to all FMA and Tube & Pipe Association, International (TPA) company members, recognize metal fabrication companies that adhere to excellence in safety.

The Safety Award of Merit is awarded to companies posting an injury and illness incidence rate for the reporting period that is better than the published Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) rate by 10 percent or greater, based on their North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code. Award winners were selected by an FMA safety committee sponsored by CNA Insurance Group and designed to promote safety in the industry.

“By winning a 2011 FMA/CNA Safety Award, General Sheet Metal has demonstrated its commitment to recognizing employees’ safe work habits, stimulating interest in accident prevention, and promoting safety in the workplace,” said Gerald Shankel, president & CEO of FMA. “We congratulate them on a job well done.”

To be eligible to receive recognition, companies were required to submit OSHA Form 300A, Summary of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses, for the period Jan. 1, 2010, through Dec. 31, 2010. Firms of all sizes were eligible.

A perfect safety record is not required to receive recognition, as winners are selected based on NAICS code categories and BLS injury and illness incidence rates.

Based in Rockford, Ill., the Fabricators & Manufacturers Association, Intl. (FMA), is a professional organization with more than 2,100 members working together to improve the metal forming and fabricating industry. Founded in 1970, FMA brings metal fabricators and fabricating equipment manufacturers together through technology councils, educational programs, networking events, and the FABTECH® exposition. FMA also has a technology affiliate, the Tube & Pipe Association, International (TPA), which focuses on the unique needs of companies engaged in tube and pipe producing and fabricating.

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