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**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY DAILY ADVISOR AWARDS CHUGACH INDUSTRIES
INCORPORATED BEST OVERALL SAFETY PROGRAM AND CULTURE**

(Anchorage, Alaska) – Chugach Industries Incorporated (CII), a subsidiary of Chugach Government Solutions, LLC, (CGS) won the 2020 Safety Standout Award for Best Overall Safety Program and Culture for its role as Base Operations Contractor for Picatinny Arsenal in New Jersey.

In collaboration with Environmental, Health and Safety Daily Advisor, SafeStart sponsored this award. SafetyStart is a safety company focused on human factors to reduce preventable deaths and injuries using an engaging and useful approach to keeping people safe.

Chugach supports a myriad of operations across the 6,500-acre military installation, including maintenance, improvement, and construction on nearly 100 miles of roads, 8 miles of sidewalks, and almost 800 buildings (including explosive work areas). With such a wide array of work functions, from public works activities to construction management to materials procurement to snow plowing to paving, the hazards facing Chugach employees at Picatinny Arsenal are diverse and numerous. Communication takes priority in the form of safety posters, handouts, and e-mails, along with positive reinforcement of safety with their Good Catch program that puts a focus on leading indicators. Through its excellent programs and culture, Chugach engages its employees to actively participate in safety; supports its frontline supervisors; provides training to employees, contractors, and temporary workers; and employs effective use of metrics to track its success.

Chugach named Picatinny Arsenal's Safety Manager, Tom Hawthorne, its 2019 Safety Leader of the Year. Having operated at Picatinny Arsenal for 14 years, Tom built and fosters an exceptional safety program and culture. His enthusiastic communication and innovative approach are exemplified in his award-winning program and 100% attendance at monthly Safety trainings. In his 25 years of performing Environmental, Health and Safety work, he has not seen some of the complex and unusual environments CII employees have come up against at Picatinny Arsenal. The new Safety Refocus campaign builds ever-increasing technical prowess, resulting in tremendous safety strides and an exemplary safety culture.



About Chugach Government Solutions, LLC:

As a federal division of Chugach Alaska Corporation, Chugach Government Solutions, LLC, and its subsidiaries offer small business flexibility and 8(a) eligibility, coupled with industry-leading techniques, process, and innovation. We distinguish ourselves from competitors by delivering uncompromising quality at a fair price. We seek consistency in quality and actively innovate, finding new ways of doing business that add value to our government customers.

Established in 1972 under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, Chugach Alaska Corporation exists to serve the interests of the Alaska Native people of the Chugach region with a focus on profitability, celebration of our heritage and ownership of our lands. Through responsible management of our lands, businesses and assets, we provide meaningful opportunities and benefits to our community of 2,500 shareholders. Chugach fulfills its mission through a range of investments and operating businesses that provide government, facilities and energy services. Chugach Government Solutions, LLC, is a subsidiary of Chugach Alaska Corporation.