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Washington Group International Named Tops in Safety

CARLSBAD, N.M., September 28, 2004 – Washington Group International was among 17 companies chosen as America's safest in 2004. The parent company of Washington TRU Solutions (WTS), Washington Group was selected by Occupational Hazards, the leading magazine of safety, health and loss prevention, for outstanding commitment to workplace safety. The story can be viewed online at <http://www.occupationalhazards.com/articles/12362>.

Washington TRU Solutions General Manager Steve Warren said, "We are delighted that our corporation has been named to this elite group. WTS and the other divisions that make up our corporation are committed to safety, whether the job is radioactive waste management or heavy construction. We plan for safety at every stage of the project. It's the Washington Group way." WTS is the management and operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).

According to Warren, WTS has earned its fair share of safety awards as prime contractor at WIPP: "Next month we will celebrate 10 years as a Department of Energy Voluntary Protection Program "Star" site for demonstrating outstanding protection of employee safety and health – the first DOE contractor to achieve this milestone." WTS has also been named "Mine Operator of the Year" by the New Mexico State Inspector of Mines and the New Mexico Mining Association for 18 years in a row for its "outstanding safety performance" and consistent record of mining safety.

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The October issue of Occupational Hazards magazine will feature profiles of this year's 17 safest companies. Two of Washington Group's clients, Anheuser Busch and Monsanto, were also named among the safest companies. Washington Group provides support services to these companies.

Publisher Rob Howlett said, "America's Safest Companies is the most anticipated and most read article series in the safety industry." The 17 will also be highlighted in trade publications such as Industry Week, American Machinist, Welding and Fabrication and Logistics Today. The companies were recognized at an event in New Orleans earlier this month.

Washington Group International and its 27,000 employees offer engineering, construction and management solutions in 40 states and more than 30 countries. The company is headquartered in Boise, Idaho.