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Erland recognized for "Excellence in Construction" by Mass. Chapter of ABC

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From left to right: Steve McDonald, president, Erland; Kevin Daley, project manager, North Shore Mechanical Contractors;

Terry Moynihan, vice president, Phoenix Mechanical; Brian Cobb, field supervisor, Erland;

Shon Doucette, plumbing foreman, North Shore Mechanical Contractors; Mark Souder, assistant project manager, Erland;

Scott Bates, VP & group manager, Erland; and Dan James, VP & general superintendent, Erland.

Burlington, MA Erland Construction is proud to have been among the recipients of the 27th annual Excellence in Construction Awards given by the Massachusetts Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC MA). Erland was recognized with an Eagle Award, representing the pinnacle of achievements, for its outstanding work on the Antiquarian Hall Addition and mechanical overhaul at the American Antiquarian Society (AAS) in Worcester, Mass.

AAS is known for housing the largest growing and most accessible collection of texts, printed materials and digital resources related to all aspects of American history and culture before the twentieth century. The Eagle Award recognizes overall excellence in project execution, craftsmanship, safety, innovative elements and challenges, and client satisfaction.

The three-story, 7,000 s/f addition features a new conservation lab that ensures the ongoing preservation of the Society's precious collection of materials and a flexible multi-purpose room that acts as an additional space for educational programming and events. A state-of-the-art climate-control system was outfitted throughout the entire building to ensure the ongoing preservation of the Society's collection, including the nation's most comprehensive compilation of printed records dating back to 1640.

"We worked closely with the American Antiquarian Society to minimize the amount of impact on both the staff and visitors in the building as well as the priceless collection of texts and materials housed there," said Scott Bates, VP & corporate, commercial group manager. "AAS is recognized as a premiere research library and for playing a key part in safeguarding our nation's past. When we were selected for the project, it immediately became our mission to also preserve the Society's

multitude of American stories and ensure their ability to accommodate years of new acquisitions. We are honored to have our efforts commended by ABC MA and to have been part of such a unique project."

This year, over 250 ABC members gathered at the Westin Waltham Hotel to recognize and celebrate the very best construction projects its companies have to offer. This year's applicant pool was particularly competitive, with each winner selected for the high standards of craftsmanship, safety and quality delivered by talented merit shop workers using the efficient merit shop approach.

"We are proud to recognize the outstanding work of our member contractors through the ABC Excellence in Construction Awards. The winning contractors maintained a constant focus on meeting their clients' needs and set a high bar for craftsmanship, quality and safety," said ABC MA president Greg Beeman.

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