



American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association

The Voice of America's Independent Railroads

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In 1999, The American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association, in its continuing effort to recognize short line and regional railroads with outstanding safety records, developed a Safety Awards program. The program, which is co-sponsored by CANAC, Inc. and MARSH USA, is designed to use ASLRRA's new Severity Index based on the railroad employee injuries and man-hours. Each ASLRRA member railroad is then placed into one of five categories based on the railroad's man-hours worked: 1-10,000; 10,001 – 50,000; 50,001 – 250,000; and 250,001 and above. An additional category is for Switching and Terminal Railroads. In each category there are four award levels: Gold, Silver, Bronze and Copper. Five years later, this Safety Awards program has become the standard which all short line and regional railroads are measured.

Richard F. Timmons, President, ASLRRA, proudly announces the 2003 ASLRRA Safety Award winners:

ASLRRA 2003 Safety Award Winners

250,001 and Above

Gold	Iowa Interstate Railroad
Silver	Willamette & Pacific Railroad
Bronze	Lake Superior & Ishpeming Railroad Company
Copper	Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc.

The awards will be presented during our business session on Friday April 23, 2004, at the ASLRRA's Annual Meeting which will be held at the Renaissance Grand Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri. Presenting the awards will be Richard Timmons, President, ASLRRA, Hon. Allan Rutter, FRA Administrator, Frank Trotter, President CANAC, and Ken Coy, VP – Transportation, MARSH USA, Inc.